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I wrote before in this spot that using color was hard for me,

but lately I really like it!

I'm so glad! I hope to continue learning new skills.

Enjoy volume 11!

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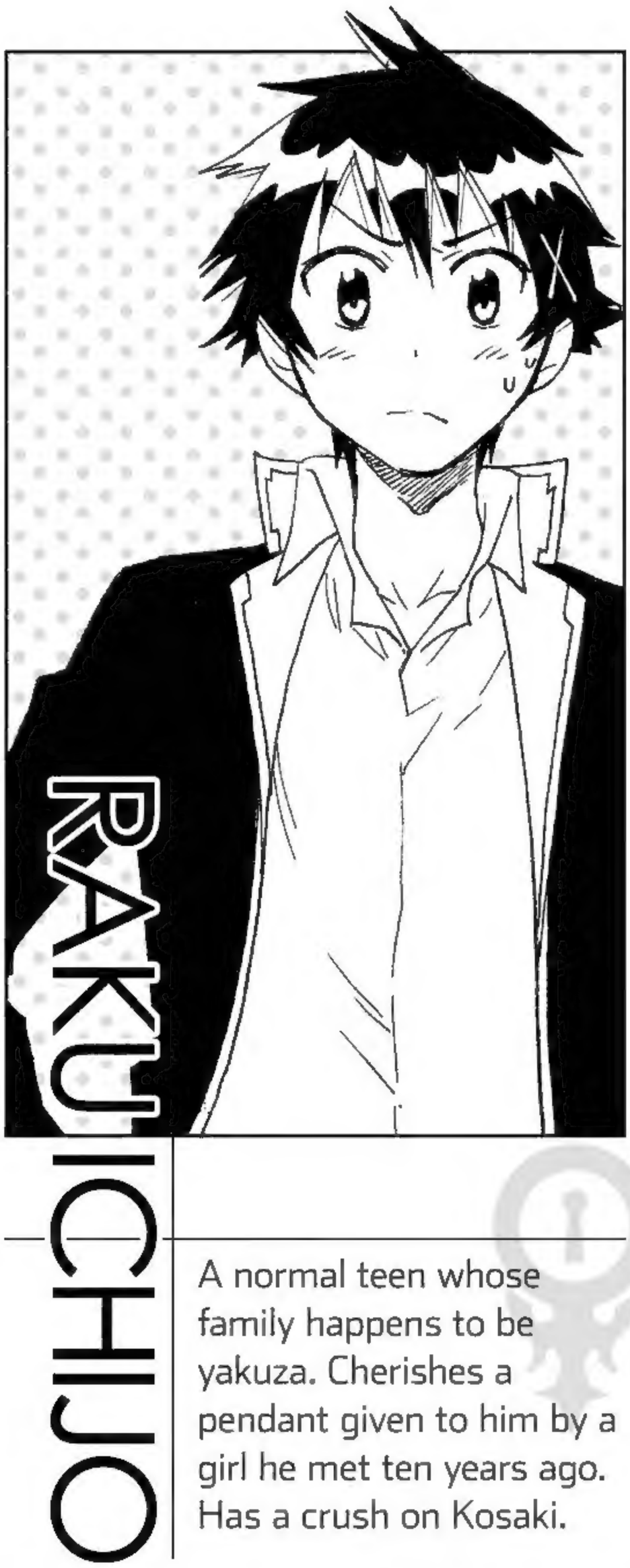
CHITOGE KIRISAKI

A half-Japanese bombshell with stellar athletic abilities. Short-tempered and violent. Comes from a family of gangsters.



RAKU ICHIJO

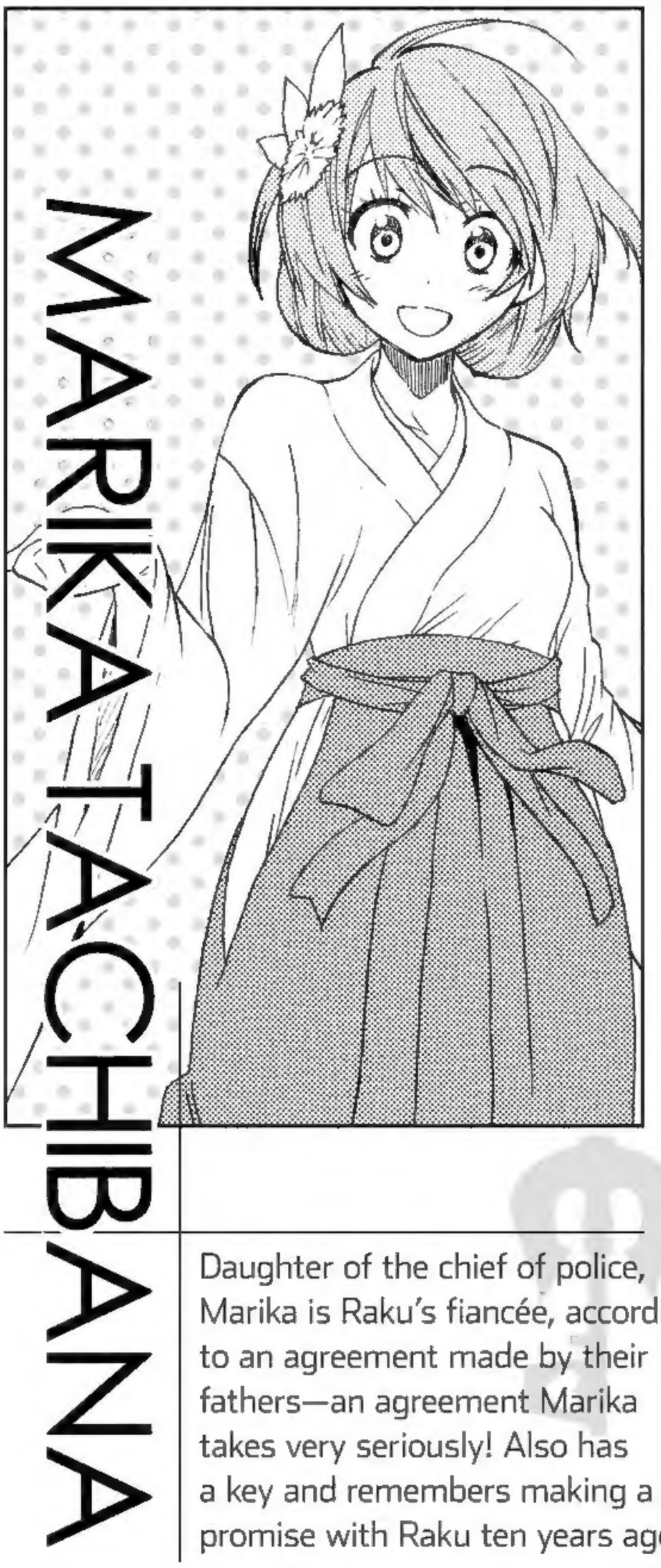
A normal teen whose family happens to be yakuza. Cherishes a pendant given to him by a girl he met ten years ago. Has a crush on Kosaki.

CHARACTERS & STORY

Raku Ichijo is an ordinary teen...who just happens to come from a family of yakuza! His most treasured item is a pendant he was given ten years ago by a girl whom he promised to meet again one day and marry.

Thanks to family circumstances, Raku is forced into a false relationship with Chitoge, the daughter of a rival gangster, to keep their families from shedding blood. Despite their constant spats, Raku and Chitoge manage to fool everyone. One day, Chitoge discovers an old key, jogging memories of her own first love ten years earlier. Meanwhile, Raku's crush, Kosaki, confesses that she also has a key and made a promise with a boy ten years ago. To complicate matters, Marika Tachibana has a key as well and remembers a promise ten years ago.

Between Ms. Kyoko quitting her job to get married and some intense encounters with Kosaki's sister, Haru, Raku's life is as hectic as ever. When a stray ball almost hits Chitoge, Raku protects her and gets hit in the head, losing his memory! Chitoge and the others will do anything to help him recover his memory, even though they're somewhat intrigued by his new ultrapolite personality.

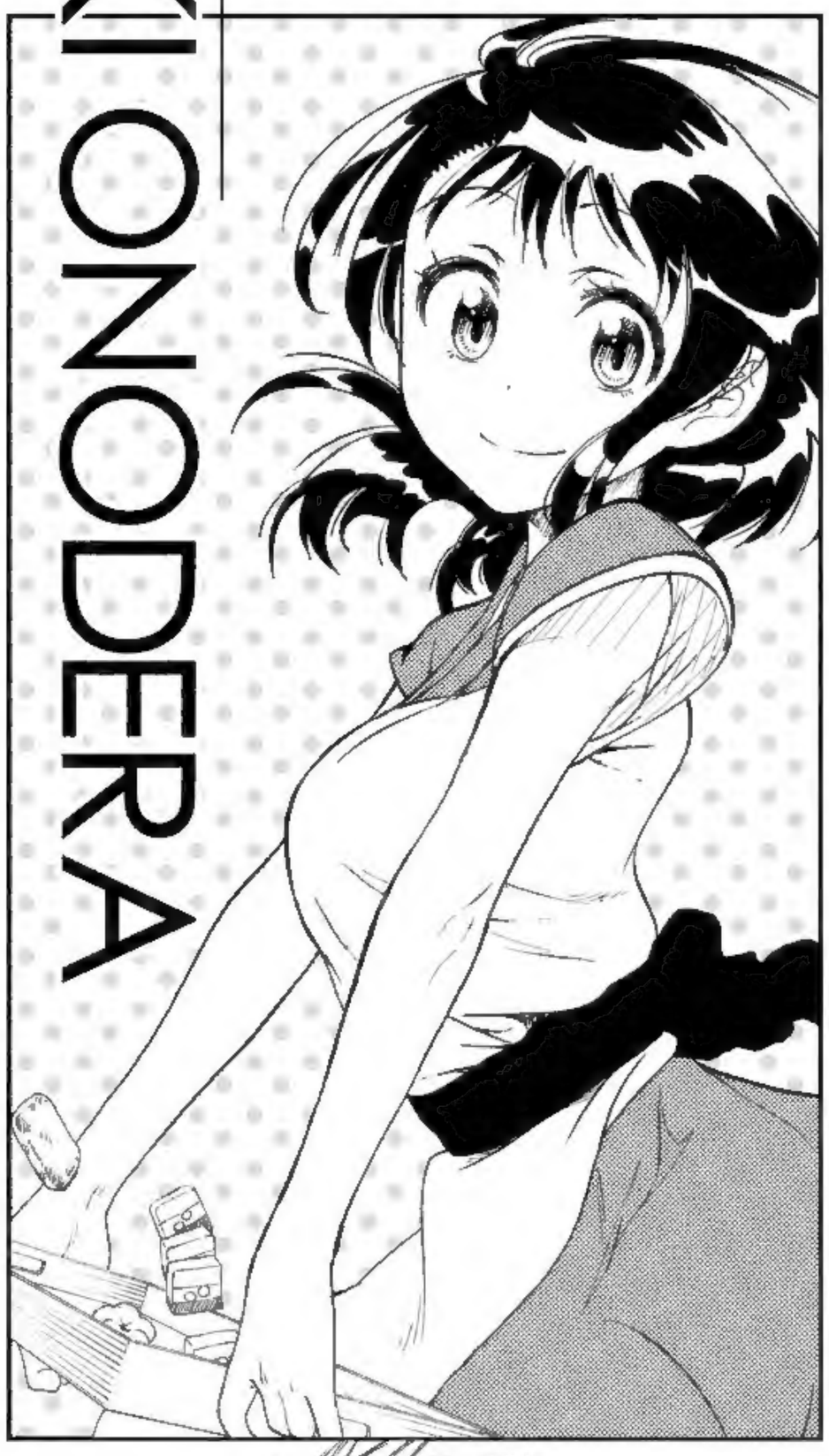


MARIKA TACHIBANA

Daughter of the chief of police, Marika is Raku's fiancée, according to an agreement made by their fathers—an agreement Marika takes very seriously! Also has a key and remembers making a promise with Raku ten years ago.

KOSAKI ONODERA

A girl Raku has a crush on. Beautiful and sweet, Kosaki has no shortage of admirers. She's a terrible cook but makes food that *looks* amazing.



SHU MAIKO

Raku's best friend is outgoing and girl-crazy.

SEISHIRO TSUGUMI

Trained as an assassin in order to protect Chitoge, Tsugumi is often mistaken for a boy.

RURI MIYAMOTO

Kosaki's best gal pal. Comes off as aloof, but is actually a devoted and highly intuitive friend.

HARU ONODERA

Kosaki's adoring younger sister. Has a low opinion of Raku.

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A PICTURE BOOK?

WHAT'S THIS?

Chapter 90: Blue

ER, NOTHING...

HUH?

HEY, MARIKA! WHAT'S THAT IN YOUR HANDS?

SURE.

...CAN I SEE THAT BOOK FOR A MINUTE?

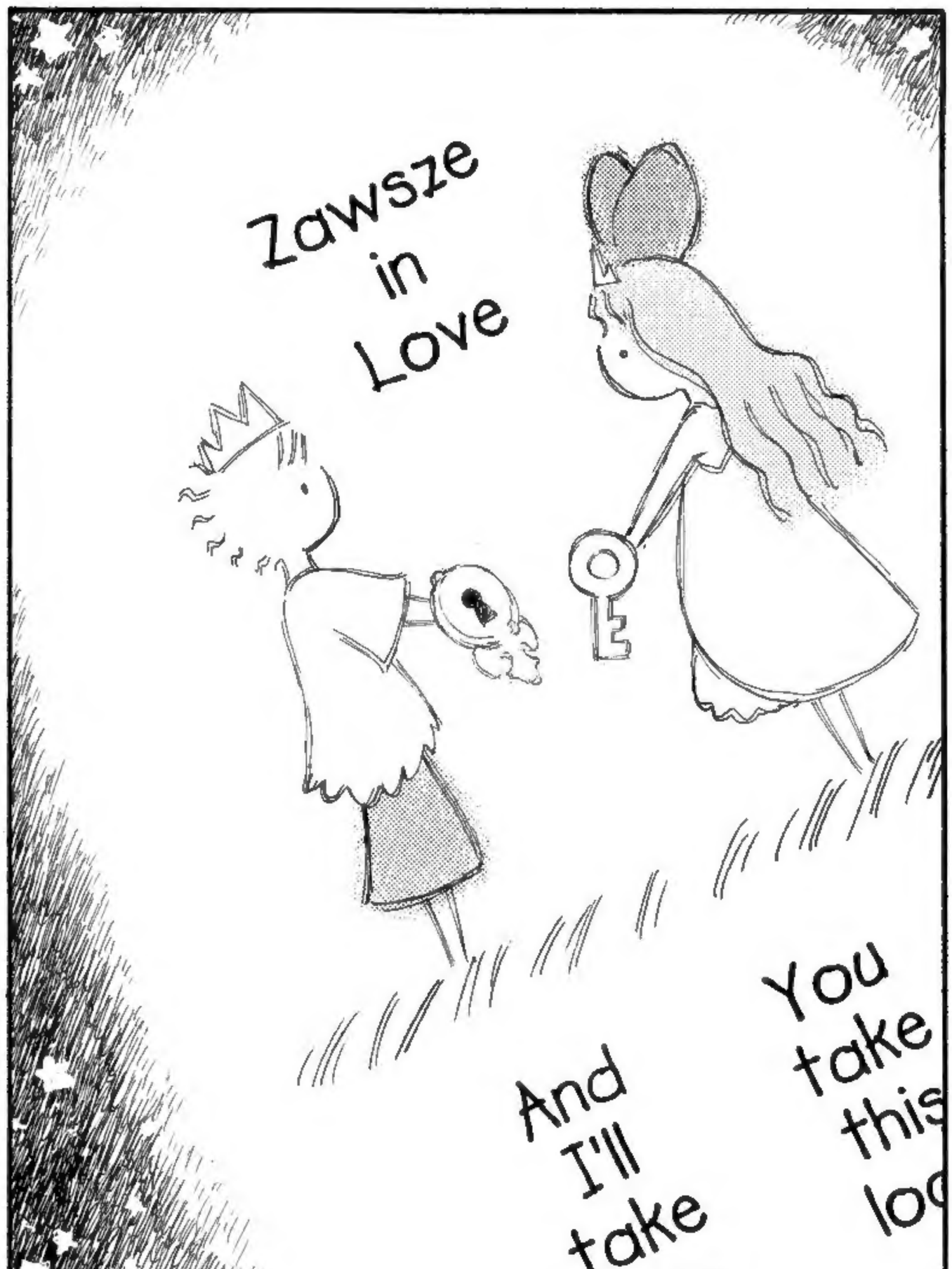
HEY...

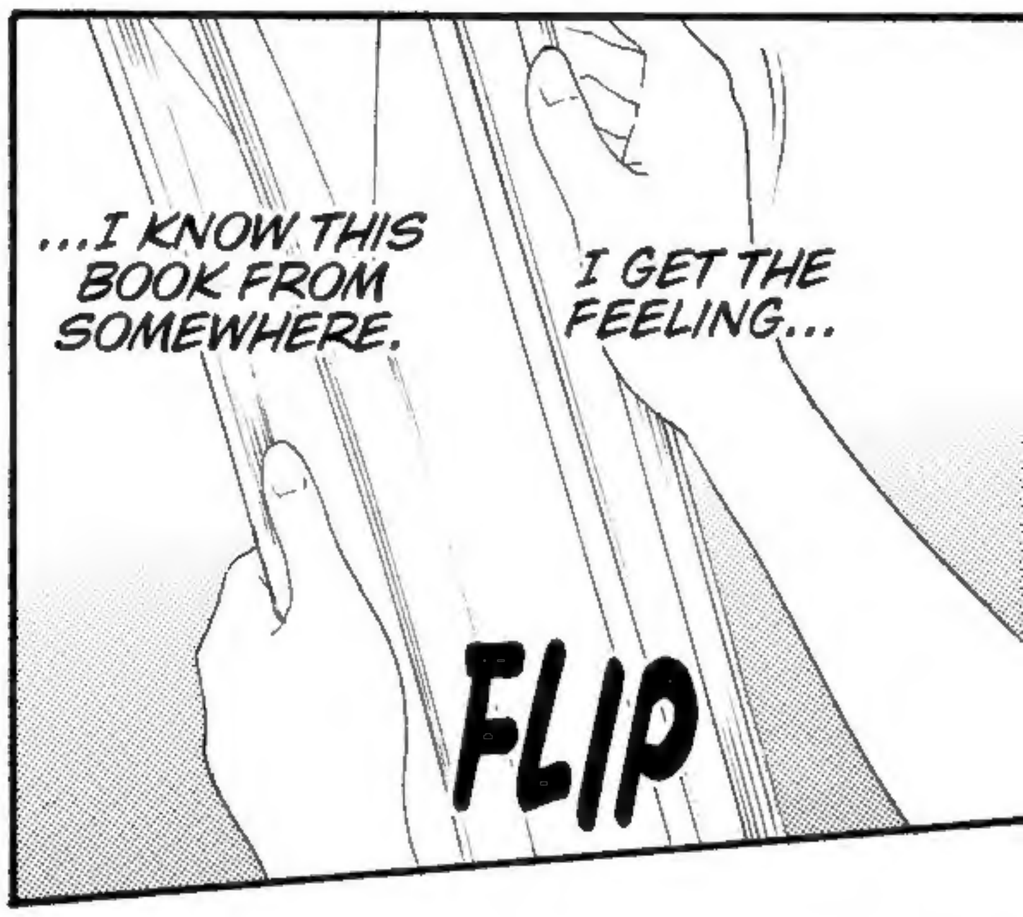
HUH?

I HAVEN'T PICKED IT UP IN YEARS, THOUGH...

OH, I REMEMBER THAT BOOK! I'VE HAD IT FOREVER!

THAT'S ODD... ...





...IN LOVE?

ZAWSZE...

THAT PHRASE...

...

ONODERA'S MOTHER...

...WANTS TO KNOW IF YOU'D ALL LIKE BARLEY TEA...

HUH?

KCHAK

EXCUSE ME...

...EVERY-ONE...

HMM?

THAT PICTURE BOOK...

WAIT A SEC!

OOO

WHAT'S GOING ON?

ER, NOTH-ING...

SOMEHOW THAT BOOK...

...TRIGGERS A DISTANT MEMORY...

WHAT?!

WHAT ABOUT IT?

WELL...

OOO

SO BASICALLY...

Japanese Confections
Onodera

YES...

ALSO, I MEANT TO TELL YOU ALL YESTERDAY, BUT...

REALLY, ICHIJO?

JI NG

...AND...

...YOUR PENDANT...

THIS PICTURE BOOK...

...THESE KEYS THE THREE OF US HAVE...

...ALL TRIGGER A MEMORY FOR YOU?

YES.

I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHO SHE IS...

...BUT I SEE AN IMAGE OF A LITTLE GIRL...

...THE GIRL YOU MADE THE PROMISE WITH TEN YEARS AGO?

IS SHE...

?

WHAT PROM- ISE?

PROM- ISE?

JOLT

GLARE

WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME?

OH!

I'M SORRY!

KOSAKI, YOU NEVER TOLD ME YOU MIGHT BE THE GIRL ICHIJO REMEMBERS!

THAT'S INCREDI- BLE.

I DIDN'T REALIZE YOU AND RAKU ICHIJO HAD A CONNECTION TEN YEARS AGO...

PROB- ABLY!

...MAYBE THERE'S SOME KIND OF CONNECTION.

IF THE BOOK REMINDS HIM OF THE GIRL HE MADE THE PROMISE WITH...

RAKU TOLD ME.

WELL, YEAH.

DID YOU KNOW ABOUT ALL THIS, MAIKO?

Most of it, anyway.

Or am I crazy?

IT TOTALLY DOES.

DOESN'T IT LOOK LIKE THE ONE IN THE BOOK?

MY MOM SAID I STARTED WEARING THIS RIBBON BECAUSE OF A PICTURE BOOK TEN YEARS AGO.

THAT BOOK LOOKS FAMILIAR TO ME TOO.

PLEASE DON'T!

PERHAPS IF I RANSACK KOSAKI'S ROOM, I'LL FIND MORE CLUES...

I'M AFRAID NOT.

MARIKA...

DO YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THIS?

MAYBE IT'LL HELP RAKU REMEMBER SOMETHING.

IN ANY CASE...

...I THINK WE SHOULD READ THE BOOK.

ONCE UPON A TIME, LONG, LONG AGO...

FWIP

A PRINCE LIVED IN ONE, AND A PRINCESS IN THE OTHER.

...THERE WERE TWO KINGDOMS.

BUT ONE DAY, WAR BROKE OUT BETWEEN THE TWO KINGDOMS.

THE PRINCE AND PRINCESS WERE TORN APART.

FWIP

YES...

THE PRINCE AND PRINCESS LOVED EACH OTHER, AND THEY PROMISED EACH OTHER THAT ONE DAY, THEY WOULD BE MARRIED.

I REMEMBER THIS!

"YOU TAKE THIS LOCK, AND I'LL TAKE THIS KEY. BEAR IT CLOSE TO YOUR HEART AND KEEP IT SAFE.

WHEN THEY SAID GOODBYE, THE PRINCESS TOLD THE PRINCE, **"ZAWSZE IN LOVE."**

THEY HID A TREASURE INSIDE THE PENDANT AND LOCKED IT. THEN THEY PROMISED THEY WOULD MEET AGAIN ONE DAY.

"ONE DAY WHEN WE MEET AGAIN, WE'LL OPEN THE LOCK AND TAKE OUT THE TREASURE HIDDEN INSIDE. AND THEN WE'LL LIVE HAPPILY EVER AFTER!"

SO HE SET OFF RUNNING, ACROSS FIELDS, OVER MOUNTAINS...

...TO FIND HIS LONG-LOST PRINCESS.

ONE DAY, THE PRINCE COULD NO LONGER STAND IT.

THE PRINCE AND THE PRINCESS MISSED EACH OTHER TERRIBLY.

"YOU POOR THING. LET ME HELP YOU," SHE TOLD THE PRINCE.

BUT JUST THEN, A GIRL WITH A KEY APPEARED BEFORE THE PRINCE.

BUT WHAT WAS THIS? A GREAT DOOR BLOCKED THE PRINCE'S PATH.

IT WAS SHUT TIGHT WITH A BIG LOCK. THE PRINCE DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO.

THE PRINCE TRIES TO FIND THE PRINCESS...

...BUT DIFFERENT OBSTACLES KEEP GETTING IN HIS WAY.

EACH TIME, A GIRL WITH A KEY COMES TO HIS RESCUE...

THE LITTLE GIRL TURNED HER KEY IN THE LOCK.

I REMEMBER THIS! RIGHT!

BLANK! FWIP...

WHAT?!

THE PRINCE CONTINUED ON HIS PATH. HE WAS ALMOST THERE...

AND THEN...

GAH! WHAT A LETDOWN!

I want to know how it ends!!

I WONDER IF THE PRINCE AND PRINCESS FIND EACH OTHER...

I DO TOO.

I SEEM TO REMEMBER THAT IT DIDN'T HAVE A HAPPY ENDING.

HMM, I DON'T KNOW.

WELL, IT'S AN OLD BOOK.

Oh, right! That's why I stopped reading that book...

THE LAST PAGES ARE MISSING!!

WHERE'S THE REST?!

BLANK!

RAKU?!

YOU REMEMBER IT, ICHIJO?!

YES.

YES... SORT OF.

JUST BITS AND PIECES.

OOO!

I REMEMBER IT BEING A SAD ENDING.

IT WAS WHEN I WAS LITTLE.

ONE EVENING, I CAME ACROSS A LITTLE GIRL...

...SITTING ON A HILL.

SO...

...I REWROTE THE LAST FEW PAGES TO GIVE IT A HAPPY ENDING.

SHE WAS ALL ALONE, AND SHE WAS READING A BOOK AND CRYING.

I ASKED WHAT WAS WRONG...

...AND SHE SAID SHE WAS CRYING BECAUSE IT WAS SUCH A SAD STORY.

THAT'S HOW I MET THE GIRL WHO KEEPS POPPING INTO MY HEAD.

THAT'S ALL I REMEMBER.

DOES IT SOUND FAMILIAR TO ANY OF YOU?

I'M SORRY.

I WISH I REMEMBERED MORE.

DON'T BE SORRY!

WE'RE MAKING PROGRESS, ANYWAY!

HMM.

Maybe... But maybe not?

VAGUELY.

I'LL LOOK FOR MORE CLUES TOO!

I'LL LOOK AROUND MY HOUSE AND SEE IF I HAVE THE SAME BOOK.

IF THIS STUFF IS RINGING A BELL, MAYBE IT'LL HELP YOU GET YOUR MEMORY BACK!

GRRRR

WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME ABOUT ALL THIS?!

Gulp!

This is crucial stuff!

...

WELL, KOSAKI?

YOU ALL HAVE KEYS...

...ALL MET ICHIJO TEN YEARS AGO!

YOU AND CHITOGE AND TACHIBANA...

I DON'T BELIEVE IT!

WOW.

IT'S LIKE A FAIRY TALE!

SO WHICH ONE OF YOU IS THE GIRL?

IT'S JUST LIKE THE STORY-BOOK.

...HAS A PENDANT WITH A LOCK ON IT.

...AND ICHIJO...

DON'T RUB IT IN!

YOU ARE SUCH AN IDIOT.

...YOU NEVER NOTICED THE KEY CLUE SITTING RIGHT THERE ON YOUR DESK.

AND ALL THIS TIME...

I know, okay?

"ZAWSZE IN LOVE"...

I GET THE SENSE THOSE WORDS WERE REALLY IMPORTANT.

HON-ESTLY...

HOW COULD I HAVE FOR-GOTTEN?

Yeesh!

...

YES, MAIKO?

WHY ARE YOU FOLLOW-ING ME?

NOTHING, NOTHING!

I WAS JUST WONDER-ING...

WHAT DO YOU WANT?

WHY, YOU KNOW WHERE I LIVE? I'M FLATTERED, MARIKA!

YOU LIVE IN THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION.

I JUST HAPPEN TO LIVE IN THE SAME DIREC-TION...

FOLLOW-ING YOU? PERISH THE THOUGHT!

...

ABOUT WHAT?

...YOU KNOW.

HOW MUCH...

WELL, THEN...

...HAVE A LOVELY EVENING!

I HAVEN'T THE FAINTEST CLUE!

IF YOU DON'T KNOW, NEVER MIND!

WHAT INDEED?

PHEW!

RAKU'S GOT HIS WORK CUT OUT FOR HIM!

I'll start with my room and my closet ...

Now, where should I look first?

Hmm...

WELL, HERE GOES!

22GI!

YES!

AT LEAST WE FOUND A CLUE.

MAYBE YOU'LL GET YOUR MEMORY BACK SOONER THAN WE THOUGHT!

WELL ...

MY BIRTHDAY'S COMING UP SOON...

OH!

Those guys thought I wouldn't notice?

HMM?

OH, THOSE.

And why're they covered up?

UH... KIRISAKI?

WHAT'S WITH ALL THE DECORATIONS ALL OVER YOUR HOUSE?

I-I-I'M SO SORRY!

WHAT?!

Just thinking about it ticks me off again!

EVEN BEFORE YOU GOT AMNESIA, YOU DIDN'T REMEMBER MY BIRTHDAY...

Really?!

GRR

GRR

I didn't even remember...

I'M SO SORRY!

HAVING AMNESIA ON SUCH A SPECIAL DAY...

OH, DON'T WORRY ABOUT THAT...

FLUSH

WHA ...?!

GRIN

IT'S MY JOB TO MAKE SURE YOUR SPECIAL DAY IS PERFECT!

AFTER ALL...

I'M YOUR BOYFRIEND!

I'LL DO MY BEST...

...TO RECOVER FOR YOUR BIRTHDAY.

OKAY!

I'll do my best!

HE'S SO DIRECT. I DON'T KNOW HOW TO REACT!!

SHEESH!

LET'S JUST FOCUS ON FINDING MORE CLUES!

N-N-N...

NEVER MIND THAT! DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT, OKAY?

WELL...

...SINCE YOU MENTION IT...

...WOULDN'T IT BE ROMANTIC IF I WAS THE GIRL YOU MADE THE PROMISE WITH TEN YEARS AGO?

Y'KNOW...

THE THING IS...

...I REMEMBER ONE MORE DETAIL.

HUH?

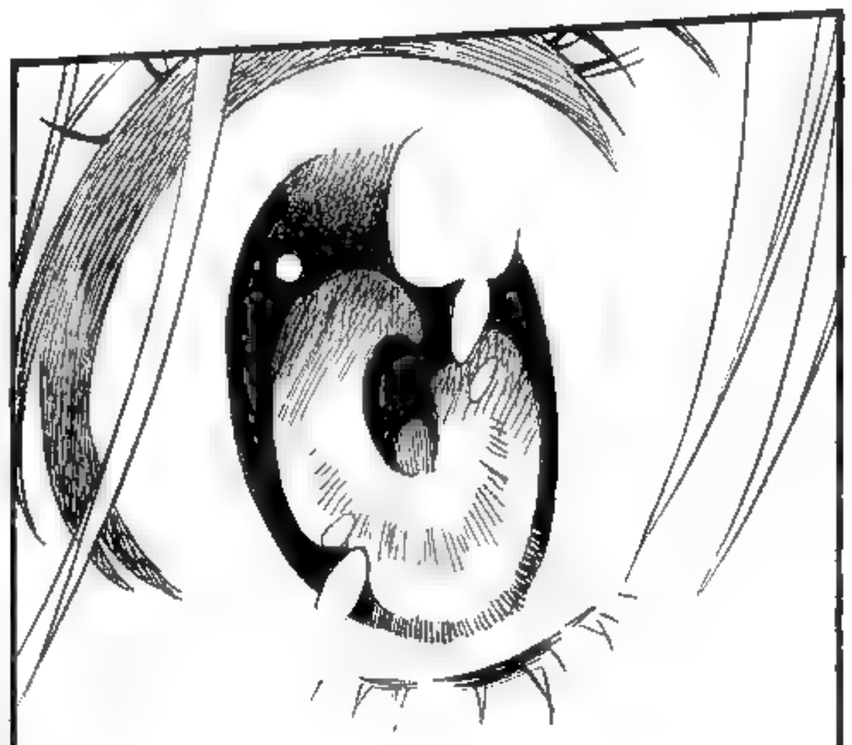
YOU HAVE...

...SUCH BEAUTIFUL PALE BLUE EYES, KIRISAKI.

...DEFINITELY DIDN'T HAVE BLUE EYES.

THE GIRL I REMEMBER...

OH...



Tell me, quick!
Is barley tea good?

HER EYES...

...WEREN'T BLUE?

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THEY DEFINITELY WEREN'T BLUE.

BUT I DO KNOW SHE HAD DARK EYES.

I DON'T REMEMBER HER FACE VERY WELL...

RIGHT.

RESTORING YOUR MEMORY IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING RIGHT NOW.

WE SHOULD GET BACK TO LOOKING FOR THAT PICTURE BOOK.

ER, RIGHT!

THAT WAS A LONG TIME AGO, ANYWAY.

WELL, NO BIG DEAL.

TNK

...

OH. I SEE.

SHHLRP

SHHSHH

OH, NO!

NOT IN THE SLIGHTEST!

UH...

IS WHAT I SAID YESTERDAY BOTHERING YOU?

I SURE DON'T.

I MEAN, WHO CARES?

WHAT DOES IT MATTER NOW?

BOOK SHOP 川井書店

We're looking for this picture book...

AFTER ALL, WE WERE JUST LITTLE KIDS...

...FIRST LOVE?

...

...THAT RAKU AND I WERE EACH OTHER'S...

Yeah.

I like these flowers.

Those are pretty.

WHEN DID I GET MY HOPES UP...

GEEZ.

TIK

TOK

YEP.

PRETTY SOON...

...IT'LL BE YOUR BIRTHDAY, KIRISAKI.

YEAH...

WELL...

WE SEARCHED ALL DAY, BUT DIDN'T FIND ANYTHING.

IF SHE DIDN'T HAVE BLUE EYES, THEN IT'S NOT ME.

SHEESH. I'VE GOT TO GET OVER THIS.

I SHOULD HELP HIM LOOK...

I'M...

...NOT GIVING UP YET!

...WHAT'LL HE DO?

IF RAKU DOES FIND THE GIRL HE MADE THE PROMISE WITH...

HUH?

WAIT A SEC...

...WITH THE GIRL YOU MET TEN YEARS AGO?

...YOU'RE STILL IN LOVE...

DON'T TELL ME...

...AND IS LOOKING FOR HIM TOO...

IF SHE REMEMBERS THEIR PROMISE...

...WHAT'LL YOU DO?

IF YOU FIND THE GIRL YOU MADE THE PROMISE WITH...

HEY, RAKU...

ZING

I AM.

YES.

NO.

...BUT I HAVE YOU NOW!

I MEAN, APPARENTLY SHE WAS MY FIRST LOVE...

NOTHING, WELL... I GUESS.

...OVER ME?

WHAT IF HE CHOOSES HER...

WE'RE NOT A REAL COUPLE!

I'M JUST A FALSE GIRLFRIEND! HE DIDN'T EVEN REMEMBER MY BIRTHDAY!

OF COURSE HE WOULD!!

WAIT! WHAT AM I THINKING?

WHSH

WHSH

HE DOESN'T CARE ABOUT ME!

...THAN EVERY-THING...

THAT STUFF MEANS MORE TO HIM...

...WE'VE BEEN THROUGH TOGETHER.

BUT THE KEYS AND PICTURE BOOK...

...FROM TEN YEARS AGO DID.

...I COULDN'T JOG HIS MEMORY.

NO MATTER WHAT I DID...

BUT...

BUT...

CLENCH

SKWEE!!

I JUST...

I WANTED TO COMFORT YOU SOMEHOW...

...AS YOUR BOY-FRIEND...

YOU LOOKED SO ANXIOUS...

EEP!

I-I-I-I'M SORRY!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!

WHA...?!

YEEK!!

JOLT!!

RAKU CARES MORE ABOUT THE GIRL HE MET 10 YEARS AGO.

BUT...

KIRI-SAKI?

...??

WE'RE NOT DATING.

HUH?

YOU'RE NOT MY BOYFRIEND.

WE'VE BEEN THROUGH SO MUCH TOGETHER. I'M SO WORRIED ABOUT HIM!

BUT I CAN'T WIN AGAINST HIS MEMORIES FROM A DECADE AGO?!

YOU WANT TO KNOW THE TRUTH?

WE'RE NOT DATING.

WE HAD TO FAKE A RELATION-SHIP FOR FAMILY REASONS.

...HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO FEEL?!

WE DRIVE EACH OTHER UP THE WALL!

ALL WE EVER DO IS FIGHT! WE CAN'T SEEM TO GET ALONG!

WE'RE TOTAL OPPOSITES!

WE CAN'T STAND EACH OTHER!

...IRRITATING JERK!

...LOUD-MOUTHED, BOSSY, INSENSITIVE...

YOU'RE A DENSE, CLUELESS, INCON-SIDERATE...

THE REAL RAKU TALKS SMACK ALL THE TIME!

...I CAN NEVER STOP...

SOME-HOW...

...DRIVING YOU AWAY.

...AND CLOBBER YOU...

ALL I EVER DO IS YELL AT YOU...

...AND COP AN ATTITUDE...

AND THE REAL ME?

...HATE ME.

...YOU DIDN'T ...

...YOU TOLD ME...

BUT ONE TIME...

THE TRUTH IS...

I...

YOU'RE BOSSY, BUT YOU'RE ALWAYS LOOKING OUT FOR ME.

YOU'RE A LOUDMOUTH, BUT YOU'RE SWEET.

YOU'RE A JERK, BUT YOU'RE A GOOD GUY.

...!

KIRI-
SAKI...

PLIP

PLIP

BUT...

...

YOU LOOK AT ME AND YOU DON'T REMEMBER ANYTHING... BUT YOU LOOK AT AN OLD PICTURE BOOK AND YOU REMEMBER IT?!

IT DRIVES ME CRAZY THAT AFTER ALL THE TIME WE'VE SPENT TOGETHER, I MEAN SO LITTLE TO YOU!!

SNAP

JOLT!

!!

HOW COULD YOU FORGET EVERY-THING?!

NOT JUST MY BIRTHDAY, BUT EVERY-THING WE'VE BEEN THROUGH ?!

...YOU HELPED ME WITH MY FRIEND NOTE-BOOK...

WHEN I FIRST CAME TO THIS SCHOOL...

...AND MY CAKE IN HOME EC CLASS...

?!

DOOM!

WHAAAAT?!

YOU SAW ME NAKED ON OUR CLASS TRIP!

I did what?!

WE WENT TO A FESTIVAL TOGETHER!

AND TO THE BEACH!

ZING

...AND COMFORTED ME WHEN WE GOT LOCKED IN THE SHED TOGETHER...

YOU SAVED ME WHEN I GOT A CRAMP IN THE POOL...

BUT WHAT DOES IT MATTER IF I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO REMEM-BERS?

WE'VE BEEN THROUGH SO MUCH TOGETHER!

SNIFF

AND ON NEW YEAR'S I GOT DRUNK AND TOTALLY EMBARRASSED MYSELF...

WE DID *ROMEO AND JULIET* TOGETHER AT THE SCHOOL FESTIVAL...

AND YOU ATE MY SALTY CHOCOLATES ON VALENTINE'S DAY!

AND YOU GOT ME AND MY MOM TOGETHER AT CHRISTMAS...

BUT I DON'T CARE ANYMORE!

SO WHAT IF I'M NOT THE GIRL YOU MADE THE PROMISE WITH!!

LAST YEAR...

WHEN WE FOUND OUT WE'D MET WHEN WE WERE KIDS...

...IT MEANT A LOT TO ME!

IT FELT REALLY SPECIAL— LIKE IT WAS DESTINY!

...YOU STUPID BEAN SPROUT!!

I JUST WANT YOU TO REMEMBER ME...

LISTEN TO MY VOICE!! DON'T YOU REMEMBER ?!

LOOK AT ME!!

STUPID BEAN SPROUT!!

OUCH!

JOLT

...

I'M YOUR FAKE GIRLFRIEND!

I'M CHITOGE KIRISAKI !!

FOR PETE'S SAKE...

I'M THE GIRL YOU CAN'T STAND!

THUNK

KIRI-SAKI...

...WAS I TO YOU?

SNIFF

WHAT...

...

WHO...

A GORILLA?

TWITCH

OW!

WORMP

WHO YOU CALLIN' GORILLA?!

GWAH

OOSH

FWOOOO

OH!!

Y-YES...

TWITCH TWITCH

ARE YOU OKAY?!

I-I DIDN'T MEAN TO...

W-WHAT HAVE I DONE?!

EEK!

I REMEMBER NOW...

OH...

SHHH

!

KIRISAKI...

YOU WERE...

HUH?

...

...

KIRI-SAKI...

TIK

TOK

...BIRTH-DAY!!

HAPPY...

SHP

WORMP

MAN, I MUST'VE HURT MY HEAD SOMEHOW...

O-OUCH...

IS THAT YOU?

...?? RAKU...?

BLINK

HUH?

COME TO THINK OF IT... WHERE ARE WE?

WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE?

CHITOGE?

OH, HEY...

LATER THAT DAY...

1:30 P.M.

RAKU...!

...BIRTHDAY PARTY.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MISTRESS !!

AT CHITOGE KIRISAKI'S...

This place sure is a mess!
Whoa !!
It looks like a dump !!
SHAKA SHAKA

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YOUR MEMORY'S BACK?!

WHAT?!

NO BIGGIE!

WHAT A RELIEF! WE WERE SO WORRIED!

HONESTLY, I DON'T REALLY REMEMBER MUCH...

THANKS FOR EVERYTHING. SOUNDS LIKE EVERYONE WENT THROUGH A LOT OF TROUBLE...

YEAH.

WE COULDN'T REALLY CELEBRATE WHEN YOU HAD AMNESIA...

NOW WE CAN ALL CELEBRATE THE MISTRESS'S BIRTHDAY!

THIS IS GREAT.

OH. YOU WERE WORRIED ABOUT THE PARTY.

YOUNG MASTER!! WHERE'VE YOU BEEEEEN?!

WE WERE SOOOOO WORRIED!

YAP YAP YAP YAP YAP YAP YAP YAP

THE GUYS SURE FREAKED OUT WHEN I CAME HOME YESTERDAY.

IT'S WEIRD NOT BEING ABLE TO REMEMBER THE PAST FEW DAYS.

HEY...

WHAT WAS I LIKE WHEN I HAD AMNESIA?

ER...

HEY, SIS!

WELL... UH...

SHAKKA SHAKKA

HUH ?!

WHAT'S WITH THE WEIRD REAC-TION?!

I feel uneasy...

AND FU, RIGHT?

OH! IT'S HARU AND PAULA!

YOU'RE HERE FOR THE PARTY TOO?

KIRISAKI INVITED US!

YEP!

WHAT A THING TO SAY!

HARU!!

TOO BAD YOU DIDN'T FORGET MY SISTER FOREVER...

I HEARD YOU HAD AMNESIA, ICHIJO.

SIS TOLD US ALREADY— SHE LIVES IN A BIG HOUSE, RIGHT?

DON'T WORRY!

...YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT CHITOGE'S FAMILY REALLY GOES ALL OUT.

JUST SO YOU'RE NOT TOO SURPRISED...

LISTEN ...

JOLT

IT'S HUGE !!

BRRING BRRING

?!

SURE...

Y'KNOW... I KNOW WHO IT IS.

SHE REALLY THINKS I'M NOT EXPECTING THIS?

MIS-TRESS!

WOULD YOU MIND COMING TO THE FRONT DOOR FOR A MOMENT?

THERE'S SOMEONE HERE TO SEE YOU!

Tee hee hee!

SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING, EVERYONE!

PHEW

...

MIS-TRESS ?

OKAY. I'LL BE RIGHT THERE.

WHAT A PRETTY DRESS!

EEEEK! KIRISAKI, YOU LOOK AMAZING!

You look great!

YOU REALLY PULLED OUT ALL THE STOPS TONIGHT!

THANKS.

UM, HELLO? THIS IS CHITOGE'S BIG NIGHT!

SHE DOESN'T LOOK AS GOOD AS I DO!

WELL!

Tee hee!

'CAUSE I'M NOT ACTUALLY SUR-PRISED.

HEY, I WONDERED ABOUT THIS LAST YEAR TOO... IF IT'S A SURPRISE PARTY, HOW COME YOU'RE DRESSED UP?

Oh!

COME TO THINK OF IT...

HOW COME YOU'RE SO FIDGETY?

HUH?

I'M NOT FIDGETY! I'M TOTALLY NORMAL!

OH?

...WE WERE IN THE MIDDLE OF A FIGHT.

POP POP POP POP POP POP!!

MISTRESS!!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

YIPPEE!!

BEFORE I LOST MY MEMORY...

KCHAK

Okay, okay! Thanks everyone!

...BUT I SHOULD REALLY APOLOGIZE.

CLAP CLAP

I KNOW IT'S KINDA LATE...

CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP

I FEEL SO SELF-CONSCIOUS...

...BEING AROUND RAKU!

...

THIS IS AWK-WARD...

?

HE MAY NOT REMEMBER, BUT I SURE DO!

NOT TO MENTION HIM SLEEPING OVER IN MY ROOM!

AFTER WHAT HAPPENED YESTER-DAY...

!!

BLUSH

DID I DO SOMETHING TO YOU WHEN I HAD AMNESIA OR SOMETHING?

YOU'VE BEEN ACTING KINDA WEIRD.

YOU REALLY DON'T REMEMBER THE PAST FEW DAYS?

HEY, RAKU...

B-BMP

B-BMP

TWIRL

HUH? YEAH. THAT'S RIGHT.

SHEESH!

I DID SOMETHING, DIDN'T I?

WHAT DID I DO?!

Now I'm nervous!

YOU DIDN'T DO ANYTHING!!

NO, NOTHING!!

YOUR BIRTHDAY.

SO MUCH HAPPENED THAT DAY, I FORGOT ABOUT IT BEING YOUR BIRTHDAY.

WHEN YOU FIRST ASKED ME, I WASN'T SURE WHAT YOU MEANT.

I DON'T REMEMBER HAVING AMNESIA...

BUT I REMEM-BERED...

HUH?

I'M SORRY.

THAT MUST'VE MADE YOU FEEL BAD.

WHO'RE YOU CALLING CREEPY?!

YOU'RE BEING SO NICE, IT'S KINDA CREEPY.

HEY, IS THERE SOMETHING DIFFERENT ABOUT YOU?

I was expecting sarcasm and insults...?

THANKS FOR COMING TO MY PARTY AND ALL.

WELL... IT'S OKAY.

IT'S TOTALLY DIFFERENT.

YEP.

WHAT?!

YOU WERE SO SWEET AND NICE...

I WAS SWEET AND NICE?!

YOU SURE WERE DIFFERENT WHEN YOU HAD AMNESIA!

SHEESH! HOW COME YOU ALWAYS HAVE TO SAY THE WRONG THING!

HMM?

...IT'S ALMOST LIKE HIS AMNESIA NEVER HAPPENED.

?

NOW THAT THE OLD RAKU'S BACK...

OKAY, YOU'VE GOT PLUCK. BUT THAT'S NOT ENOUGH TO MAKE ME LIKE YOU, KID.

Pluck?

THERE'S NO WAY YOU'RE GOING TO TRUMP MY GIFT!

WE'LL SEE WHO'S THE BIGGER MAN TODAY!

HE'S GOT SOME NERVE AFTER THE OTHER DAY!

THAT PUNK ACTUALLY SHOWED UP!

HMPH!

GRR

GRR

UGH!

Four-eyes!

WHAT DO I NEED A JET FOR?

NO THANKS.

I WENT ALL OUT THIS YEAR AND HAD A PRIVATE JET CUSTOM BUILT FOR YOU!!

FEAST YOUR EYES ON THIS, MISTRESS!!

TA-DAA!!

WOW!

OOH!

HOPE YOU LIKE IT, HONEY! I BOUGHT IT ON SORT OF A WHIM...

UH-OH...

DIDJA GET ME SOME-THING DECENT THIS YEAR?

THERE'S THAT PRESSURE AGAIN...

SMIRK SMIRK

OKAY. YOUR TURN, JERK-WAD.

Whadja get her?

Flowers

A BOU-QUET...

...OF FLOW-ERS?

I KNOW ...

BUT FOR SOME REASON I JUST HAD THIS STRONG SENSE THAT I HAD TO GET YOU THESE.

I don't know why.

IT'S NOT REALLY LIKE ME.

DIDN'T KNOW YA HAD IT IN YA!

HOLY SMOKES! NOT BAD, KIDDO!

...

THESE FLOW-ERS...

KOFF

WHAK

...

AH.

I LIKE THESE FLOWERS.

YEAH ...

THEY'RE BEAUTI-FUL.

I LOVE THEM.

THANK YOU, RAKU.

WHEEE YIPEEE

BWAHAHAHA

GOOD!

DADDY?

OH!

SHP

WHAT'S THAT?

THIS?

I JUST FINISHED WORK.

I WAS ABOUT TO COME JOIN YOU.

SORRY, SWEETIE.

THE PARTY'S ALMOST OVER!

WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE?

YOU'RE A BEAUTIFUL LADY NOW, JUST LIKE YOUR MOTHER.

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU'RE 17!

HEH HEH. YOU REALLY THINK SO?

I WAS REMINIS-CING...

SOME PHOTOS FROM WHEN YOU WERE LITTLE.

?

WHAT IS IT, SWEETIE?

BROWN!

?

Jolt!

THAT'S RIGHT. I SUPPOSE YOU WOULDN'T REMEMBER.

YOU WERE NEVER INTERESTED IN LOOKING BACK TO THE PAST.

...WERE BROWN!

MY EYES...

WHAT?!

...CHANGED COLOR AS YOU GOT OLDER, CHITOGE.

YOUR EYES...

OF COURSE, YOUR BLUE EYES ARE BEAUTIFUL TOO.

YOU HAD LOVELY BROWN EYES AS A LITTLE GIRL.

I HAD NO IDEA!

...

I HAVE BLUE EYES NOW, BUT THEY USED TO BE MORE OF A GRAY COLOR.

NOT IN JAPAN, OF COURSE, BUT CAUCASIAN CHILDREN'S EYES OFTEN START OUT ONE COLOR AND CHANGE OVER TIME.

IT'S FAIRLY COMMON.

THEY DEFINITELY WEREN'T BLUE.

I DO KNOW SHE HAD DARK EYES.

WOW...

NO...

I WAS JUST SURPRISED, THAT'S ALL!

DOES THAT MEAN SOMETHING TO YOU?

...HAVE A CHANCE.

I STILL...

APPARENTLY...

...WHEN I HAD AMNESIA, THIS BOOK AND MY PENDANT TRIGGERED A FARAWAY MEMORY.

FROM WHAT THEY EXPLAINED AFTER I GOT MY MEMORY BACK...

...ONODERA LENT ME THIS PICTURE BOOK.

...I THINK I KNOW THIS BOOK.

COME TO THINK OF IT...

I DON'T REMEMBER THE ACTUAL STORY...

FWIP

BUT THIS PART SEEMS SIGNIFI-CANT!

I REMEMBER REWRITING THE ENDING FOR HER!

THIS IS THE BOOK THE LITTLE GIRL WAS READING WHEN WE FIRST MET.

DID IT COME FROM THIS STORYBOOK?

THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT WE SAID TO EACH OTHER WHEN WE MADE OUR PROMISE!

"YOU TAKE THIS LOCK, AND I'LL TAKE THIS KEY. BEAR IT CLOSE TO YOUR HEART AND KEEP IT SAFE."

"ZAWSZE IN LOVE."

BUT CHITOGE SAID SHE REMEMBERED THIS BOOK TOO!

WHOAA!

WOW!! ONODERA MUST BE THE ONE!!

IF ONLY THE FINAL PAGES WEREN'T MISSING...

IF ONODERA HAD THIS BOOK, THAT MUST MEAN...

THERE'S DEFINITELY A CONNECTION!

CLENCH

THERE'S SEVERAL KEYS IN THIS BOOK TOO. HOW MANY?

AND ALSO...

HOW COME THERE ARE THREE KEYS?

RATS! DOESN'T THIS BOOK CONTAIN ANY OTHER CLUES?

I DON'T REMEMBER EXACTLY.

HOW EXACTLY DID I REWRITE THE END?

FOUR KEYS?

AND SO DO THE THREE GIRLS WHO COME TO THE PRINCE'S AID.

THE PRINCESS HAS A KEY...

LET'S SEE...

FWIP

HEY, RAKU ICHIJO!

C'MON! WE'RE TAKING A GROUP PICTURE!

DOES THAT MEAN...

OH!

COMING!

Chitoge's Favorite Flower

《 Sweet Peas 》

Said to symbolize
sweet memories

Super time-consuming
to draw...

THOSE ARE THE NEW SEASONAL SWEETS FOR FALL.

WHAT DO YOU THINK, KOSAKI?

NOM...

MM...

MAYBE YOU COULD HIGHLIGHT THE SWEETNESS OF THE CHESTNUTS A BIT MORE...

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I WISH I KNEW.

HOW COME YOU'RE THE BEST TASTER BUT THE WORST BAKER?

Y'KNOW, IT'S IRONIC...

ISN'T IT A BIT EARLY?

IT'S NOT EVEN SUMMER YET!

WE WON'T BE READY IN TIME IF WE DON'T START PREPPING NOW.

DON'T WORRY...

I'M CAREFUL!

CAREFUL! YOU DON'T WANT TO GET FAT!

...HAVE YOU PUT ON A FEW POUNDS LATELY?

I KNOW I'M THE ONE WHO ASKED YOU TO TASTE THESE, BUT...

PINCH

PINCH

BY THE WAY, SIS...

OKAY. I'LL TELL DAD WHAT YOU SAID.

I HAVEN'T WEIGHED MYSELF IN A WHILE...

COME TO THINK OF IT, I HAVE BEEN EATING A LOT OF SWEETS LATELY.

OR AM I?

CHUNG

...PLUS I DON'T EXERCISE MUCH.

MAYBE I SHOULD BE MORE AWARE...

oooo!!

WHA ...?!

SHOOP

WORMP

WORMP

WORMP

WORMP

ZO

I GUESS I CAN THINK OF A FEW POSSIBLE REASONS...

Tasting

Eating Out

Snacks

BUT THIS IS SO SUDDEN!!

HOW DID I GAIN SO MUCH WEIGHT IN SUCH A SHORT TIME?!

NO WAY!!

SWOON

MAYBE TO OTHER PEOPLE I LOOK LIKE A TOTAL BUTTERBALL!

BUT MAYBE I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO THINKS SO.

I DON'T REALLY LOOK ANY DIFFERENT.

SKWEE

HARU DID MAKE THAT COMMENT...

PROD

PROD

THIS IS AWFUL!

I HAVE TO DO SOMETHING!!

HEY, RURI?

DO YOU THINK I'VE PUT ON WEIGHT LATELY?

HUH?

...

Seems the same as ever to me...

JOLT

SKWEE

SKWEE

YEEP!

I HADN'T NOTICED, BUT THEY SAY YOU'RE ALWAYS THE LAST ONE TO KNOW!

IT'S TRUE!!

WAAH!

I was hoping it wasn't true!

OH NO!!

UWAM!

IT'S POSSIBLE.

MAYBE YOU SHOULD WATCH WHAT YOU EAT.

HEY, ONODERA! GOOD MORNING!

OH!

GOOD MORNING, ICHIJO!

...BUT I GUESS I'D BETTER EXERCISE IF I WANT TO LOSE WEIGHT...

NOW WHAT? I SKIPPED BREAK-FAST...

SHFF

G'MORN-ING!

AND I'LL HAVE TO LIMIT MY PORTIONS...

NO MORE TREATS, STARTING TODAY!!

I CAN DO THIS!!

I'VE GOT TO DROP SOME POUNDS BEFORE HE NOTICES!

SHFF

OH NO! I REALLY DON'T WANT ICHIJO TO KNOW I'VE GAINED WEIGHT!

GRRRBLLRGL

AN EARTH-QUAKE?

IT SOUNDED LIKE AN EARTH-QUAKE TO ME!

GEE, WHAT WAS THAT SOUND?

KOFF KOFF KOFF KOFF

Scary!

KOFF KOFF KOFF KOFF

Huh?

KOFF

HUH?

WHAT WAS THAT?

I KNOW I SKIPPED BREAKFAST, BUT DOES IT HAVE TO GROWL SO LOUD?!

AUGH! WHY DOES MY STOMACH HAVE TO RUMBLE AT A TIME LIKE THIS?!

WHAPP!

?!

GNRRLLL

YOU LOOK KINDA PALE...

ER... ARE YOU OKAY, ONODERA?

OH... I'M FINE!

IT'S NOTH-ING AT ALL...

THIS WON'T LAST...

I...I HAVE TO HANG IN THERE!

SHAKKA SHAKKA

???

IT WON'T LAST!!

TRUST ME!

IT'S NOTHING, REALLY!

IT'S...

...

UM... OKAY...

GRIN

WHAT DAY?

I CAN'T WAIT FOR THIS AFTER-NOON!

TODAY'S THE DAY!

I forgot...

OH!

HEY, KO-SAKI!

AS SOON AS I SLIM DOWN, I CAN RELAX AGAIN...!

WE ARE?!

RE-MEMBER?

WE'RE GOING TO THE ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT CAKE BUFFET THIS AFTERNOON!

OH.

REALLY?

That's too bad.

I-I'M SORRY...

SOME-THING CAME UP...

I'm really sorry!

BUT I HAVE TO BE STRONG...

WAAH! I WANNA GO!

THE AD ON TV... THAT PLACE LOOKED REALLY GOOD!

ATISSERIE

OH, RIGHT!

We all said we'd go...

WHAT?!

I had to try them all!

WELL...

That's too much!

YOU WENT TO A CAKE BUFFET YESTERDAY AND THE DAY BEFORE TOO.

WELL, MAYBE IT'S FOR THE BEST, MISTRESS.

WHERE THE HECK DOES IT ALL GO? YOU AND RURI, I SWEAR!

YEEK!

H-HEY! KOSAKI?!

Wha-wha what?

PINCH PINCH

I don't get it.

PINCH

PINCH

SHP

WELL...

THEN AGAIN, I DON'T WANT MY STOMACH TO KEEP RUMBLING IN CLASS...

BUT IT'S ONLY SECOND PERIOD... LUNCH IS HOURS AWAY!

GRGRLBL

UGH...

TALKING ABOUT CAKE IS MAKING ME HUNGRIER THAN EVER!

Why're you out here?

WHAT'RE YOU DOING, ONODERA?

JOLT

SHEEEEEEEK

I CAN'T BELIEVE HE CAUGHT ME SCARFING MY LUNCH EARLY!

How can I face him?

GLOOOM...

I COULD JUST DIE.

HOW EMBARRASSING!

YAP YAP

WHAT CLASS DO WE HAVE NEXT?

OH...

EVERYONE'S LEAVING...

CHATTER CHATTER

YAP YAP

DOONG

DIING

MAYBE SHE DOESN'T FEEL WELL... OR MAYBE SOMETHING'S BOTHERING HER...

THERE'S DEFINITELY SOMETHING ODD ABOUT ONODERA TODAY.

HMM...

OH, GREAT.

I MUST EXERCISE! EXERCISE, AND FORGET MY WOES!!

THIS IS NO TIME TO BE MOPING AROUND! I HAVE TO MAKE AN EFFORT IF I WANT TO LOSE WEIGHT!

??

RIGHT! GOTTA EXERCISE!!

GYM!!

!!

?!

JOLT

SWIMMING IS SUPPOSED TO BE GREAT FOR WEIGHT LOSS! I CAN DO THIS!!

NO! NO EXCUSES!

YOU'RE PUMPED UP FOR ONCE.

WELL, WELL!

PER-FECT. AND I CAN'T EVEN SWIM.

THE GIRLS HAVE SWIM-MING TODAY?

AND JUST WHEN I DIDN'T WANT TO BE SEEN IN A SWIMSUIT.

I'LL SWIM AT YOUR PACE.

WANT TO PRACTICE TOGETHER?

SURE! THANKS!

SPLOOSH!

BLBB

WELL, I DID MY BEST TODAY.

WONDER IF IT DID ANY GOOD.

佐藤 柔局

I WAS SO WEAK FROM NOT EATING...

KOFF KOFF

I PRAC-TICALLY DROWNED!

WAAH!

KYUUU

OF COURSE...

Japanese Confections
Onodera

I PROBABLY HAVEN'T LOST ANY WEIGHT YET, BUT...

TMP

DING DOONG

BY A LOT?!

I HARDLY ATE ANYTHING ALL DAY!! NO FAIR!!

NOOO!!

...EVEN HEAVIER?!

I'M...

WHAAAT?!

Worry

YOU OKAY?

ONO-DERA...

IS SHE SICK? I HEAR SHE COLLAPSED IN GYM YESTERDAY...

WHAT'S THE MATTER?

GEEZ... WISH I COULD DO SOMETHING TO HELP...

YEAH, I'M FINE.

HUH?

WHUT?

...

THIS TIME I ASKED MIYAMOTO WHAT YOUR FAVORITE FOOD IS.

WELL...

SHP

AND I TOOK A STAB AT IT...

...REMEMBER WHEN I BROUGHT STEWED KONYAKU THAT ONE TIME?

HEY...

YEAH... I REMEM-BER...

...

UM... ONODERA?

HERE GOES NOTHING...

W-WHY TODAY OF ALL DAYS?!

Hope you like 'em.

CANDIED SWEET POTATOES.

TA-DAA...

DID HE ACTUALLY MAKE THOSE SPECIALLY FOR ME?!

IT SMELLS GOOD, TOO! ICHIJO'S SUCH A GOOD COOK. IT'S SO OBVIOUS HE DID A GREAT JOB...

OOH, THAT LOOKS SOOOO GOOD!

WAAAH!! MY FAVORITE TREAT!!

...

BUT... ICHIJO MADE THEM FOR ME!

O-ONODERA?

JUST ONE LITTLE BITE?

MAYBE JUST A BITE?

I PROMISED MYSELF I WOULDN'T EAT ANYTHING TODAY!!

NO... I CAN'T!!

I GAINED WEIGHT YESTERDAY!!

FWP

FWP

FWP

OH!

I-I'M SO SORRY, ICHIJO...

I'M NOT...

...HUN-GRY...

ACTU-ALLY...

I...

GASP!

IT'S OKAY IF YOU DON'T WANT THEM...

UM...

She looks kinda crazed...

SHE MUST REALLY BE SICK IF SHE DOESN'T WANT HER FAVORITE FOOD...!!

Now I'm really worried!

HUH?!

WHA...?!

I'M SORRY, I'M JUST NOT HUNGRYYYY !!

ZOOOOM

AND ICHIJO MADE THEM SPECIALLY FOR ME!

THEY LOOKED TOTALLY DELICIOUS!!

I WANTED TO EAT THOSE SO MUCH!!

I suck!!

PHEW...

I'M BEING A JERK!

I PROBABLY HURT ICHIJO'S FEELINGS.

IT'S LIKE THAT TIME WITH THE HORO-SCOPE...

WHAT AM I DOING? WHY AM I TOTALLY SPAZZING OUT?!

WANT SOME TEA?

HEY, ONODERA...

SHOOP

SIGH...

MAYBE IT'S NOT TOO LATE...

I SHOULD APOLO-GIZE.

IS SOMETHING BOTHERING YOU?

IF YOU FEEL LIKE TALKING ABOUT IT, I'M HERE.

ICHIJO...

...

I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT FEEL LIKE EATING IF I MADE YOUR FAVORITE TREAT.

IT'S JUST... YOU DIDN'T SEEM TO BE EATING MUCH LATELY.

SORRY.

I DIDN'T MEAN TO BE A PEST.

...BUT, AT THE SAME TIME...

THIS IS ALL MY FAULT.

NOW I FEEL BAD.

HE'S WORRIED ABOUT ME.

...I'M FLATTERED THAT HE CARES.

THANKS FOR YOUR CONCERN.

IT'S REALLY NO BIG DEAL.

REALLY?

WELL, THAT'S GOOD.

WELL, IN THAT CASE...

...JUST BE SURE YOU EAT ENOUGH, OKAY?

IF YOU DON'T EAT ENOUGH, YOU MIGHT WASTE AWAY, Y'KNOW?

YOU'RE SO THIN...

OH...

NO REA-SON!

HUH?

HOW COME YOU'RE SMILING NOW?

Now you tell me!

That scale's broken.

B-BMP B-BMP

For crying out loud!!

SO... WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

NOTHING.

THE PROBLEM'S SOLVED.

OH?

Crispy, with a silkiness to the sauce, piping hot on the inside, and just the right amount of oil. The sweetness of the honey complements the subtle flavor of the potato without overwhelming it, and yada yada yada...
Oooh!! So delicious...!!!
BLUSH
She really likes it!
Wow, this is awesome!
So happy!!

HEY...

...ONODERA?

AND SO...

LAST WEEK...

...WAS CHITOGE'S BIRTHDAY PARTY. THE MEMORY WAS STILL FRESH.

...YOUR BIRTHDAY?

WHEN IS...

HUH?

SO WHEN IS IT?

AW, C'MON!

It's no big deal!

OH! YOU REALLY DON'T HAVE TO!

SO I FIGURED, WE SHOULD CELEBRATE YOURS TOO!

WELL, YOU KNOW! CHITOGE JUST HAD HER BIRTHDAY...

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...TOMORROW.

IT'S...

EW.

What do you want?!

TAK TAK TAK TAK TAK TAK TAK TAK TAK

HAARUUU!!

YOU'VE GOTTA HELP ME!!

WHAT?

YOU WANT ME TO HELP YOU PICK A GIFT?

NO WAY.

HAHH...

HAHH...

PLEASE !!

Haven't even asked yet!

I TRIED. RURI SUGGESTED I GO WITH ONODERA. I DON'T GET IT.

And Chitoge was busy...

Or "your girl-friend?

BUT WHY AREN'T YOU ASKING RURI?

WELL... I WAS PLANNING TO GO GIFT SHOPPING AFTER SCHOOL...

YOU'RE THE LAST PERSON I WANT TO SPEND THE AFTERNOON WITH!

NO!

FWAP

PLEASE !!

I'M BEGGING YOU!!

I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT WOULD MAKE HER HAPPY!

WHERE DO WE MEET?

AT THE STORE.

I HEAR THERE'S A JAPANESE DESSERT FESTIVAL THERE RIGHT NOW...

DON'T YOU THINK THE DAIMARO DEPARTMENT STORE WOULD BE PERFECT?

HUH?

DAIMARO

I GUESS JUST THE GIRLS CELEBRATED IT LAST YEAR. WELL, THAT'S UNDER-STANDABLE.

I CAN'T BELIEVE HER BIRTH-DAY'S TOMOR-ROW.

I almost missed it!

PHEW!

SOMEHOW I MANAGED TO CONVINCE HER.

THANKFULLY I'LL HAVE EXPERT HELP CHOOSING A GIFT!

RAKU!

OVER HERE!!

8階

ANTIQUE FAIR

YOU'RE LATE.

WELL, YEAH.

WE'RE FIVE MINUTES BEHIND SCHEDULE.

I GOT LOST.

MADAM S

SO, WHAT D'YOU THINK SHE'D LIKE?

WELL, I JUST ALWAYS BUY HER SOMETHING I LIKE.

WHAT ARE YOU GETTING FOR HER THIS YEAR?

I HOPE I CAN FIND SOMETHING I LIKE.

CLOTHES.

I KNOW, I KNOW.

IN RETURN FOR MY HELP, YOU'RE BUYING ALL THE TREATS!

WE'RE CLEAR ON OUR AGREE-MENT?

LET'S SEE.

HOW 'BOUT THE STUFFED SNAKE?

HEY...

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

YOU'RE NOT TRYING, ARE YOU, HARU?

I'LL JUST PICK SOMETHING OUT QUICK, GET MY TREATS AND GO HOME!!

SHEESH. I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M DOING THIS.

GETTING ALL WORKED UP OVER A PRESENT FOR ANOTHER GIRL WHEN YOU'VE GOT A GIRLFRIEND.

Slimebag!

I THINK IT'S INAP-PROPRIATE.

YEAH, WELL...

...

HFF

WELL, GEEZ.

YOU'RE MAKING AN AWFULLY BIG DEAL OVER THIS.

WELL...

IT'S A GIFT FOR ONODERA, AFTER ALL!

SURE.

BRING IT ON!

REMEMBER, YOU SAID I COULD HAVE ANYTHING I WANT!

OKAY.

WE'VE HAD A LOOK AROUND. WE CAN NARROW IT DOWN LATER. LET'S GET SOME TREATS.

WHERE DID YOU FIND THIS?!

RAKU!!

THE COUNTER IN THAT CORNER...

TAKE ME THERE!!

HMM. WHERE SHOULD I START...

HERE! I GOT YOU SOME-THING!

Tee hee!

YAY!

YAY!

I WANTED TO CHOOSE FOR MYSELF!

HEY! WHAT D'YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?

Ooh, check these out!!

Haru! Let's get these next!

Yeah! And these over here!

Good call!!

Raku! How 'bout these sweet rice treats?

This one's good too!

Be right there!

I'M REALLY GLAD I ASKED YOU TO DO THIS WITH ME.

YEAH...

WHAT?!

HAHH...

ALL OF THE TREATS YOU CHOSE WERE PRETTY DELICIOUS!

I'M IMPRESSED, RAKU!

YOU TOO, HARU!

HAHH...

HAHH...

AS YOU?! NO WAY!!

SIMILAR TASTES ?!

GAH! I LET MYSELF GET CARRIED AWAY.

GEEZ. IT WASN'T AN INSULT...

WHA...

IT'S FUN TO ENJOY THE THINGS WE LIKE TOGETHER!

YOU AND I HAVE SIMILAR TASTES, HARU!

GRIN

OF COURSE NOT!

I WENT TO AN ALL-GIRLS JUNIOR HIGH...

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ON A DATE, HARU?

Ptooey...¥

I'M SO INSUL-TED!!

"ARE YOU TWO ON A DATE?"

YOU KNOW WHAT ONE OF THE VENDORS ASKED ME?

IT WAS TOTALLY AN INSULT!

THAT'S GOING A BIT FAR...

CREPES

CREPES

IN JUNIOR HIGH...

...I WENT TO MY SISTER'S SCHOOL FESTIVAL AND I GOT LOST.

2-B

I DON'T KNOW IF IT COUNTS, BUT...

ACTUALLY, I HAVE. JUST ONCE.

OH!

CREPES

HE BOUGHT ME AN ICE CREAM CONE.

HE HELD MY HAND AND HELPED ME LOOK FOR MY SISTER.

CREPES

JUST THEN...

A GUY IN A BEAR COSTUME HAPPENED BY.

I WAS FEELING LOST AND SCARED, AND HIS HAND WAS SO WARM...

HE COULD BE MY PRINCE CHARMING AFTER ALL!!

OH! IF HE WAS AT THIS HIGH SCHOOL, HE'D BE THE SAME YEAR AS YOU GUYS!

Squeal!

WOW... COOL STORY.

...

HE WAS NOTHING LIKE YOU, THAT'S FOR SURE!

OF COURSE, HE WAS A FAR CRY FROM MY PRINCE CHARMING, TOO...

IF ONLY ALL GUYS WERE THAT CHIVALROUS!

YES, SIR!

THAT WAS ME.

SHLLRP

THAT MUST'VE BEEN HARU!

I REMEMBER IT CLEARLY.

DURING MY TURN TO WEAR THE BEAR SUIT, I BOUGHT AN ICE CREAM FOR A LOST JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL GIRL.

WHAT'RE YOU STARING AT?

YOU BEING A PERV?

SHE'LL NEVER BELIEVE ME IF I TELL HER.

WHAT A BIZARRE COINCI-DENCE.

No, that's not it...

THE ICE CREAM WAS HER IDEA. YUMMY! CREPES

SHE WAS CRYING, AND AT FIRST I THOUGHT SHE WAS EVEN YOUNGER!

I want a vanilla ice cream cone!

My sister has my wallet!

Ice cream!

CREPES

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WHY DID I TELL HIM THAT STORY?

I'M SUCH A CHATTERBOX. WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BE ENEMIES.

Honeys

WELL...

I'D BETTER FIND SIS A PRESENT.

WONDER WHAT WOULD LOOK GOOD ON HER.

SHF

WONDER WHAT IT WOULD LOOK LIKE ON HER.

Hmm.

HMM.

IT'S HARD TO PICTURE.

THIS MIGHT BE GOOD! IT'S NICE AND GROWN-UP LOOK-ING...

OH!

HARU?

ABOUT ONODERA'S GIFT...

HOLD ON!!

HEY...

SHOOP

I KNOW!

!

WHA...

OH!

RAKU!!

AUGH!

HARU? IS THAT REALLY YOU?!

WHOA! FOR A MOMENT SHE LOOKED JUST LIKE ONO-DERA!

MY HEART SKIPPED A BEAT!

WITH HER HAIR DOWN, THEY REALLY DO LOOK ALIKE.

YOU SCARED ME!!

WELL, THE CURTAIN WASN'T CLOSED!!

WHAT ARE YOU, CRAZY?!

THIS IS THE GIRLS' CHANG-ING ROOM!!

You perv!

BLUSH

THAT DRESS?

...WHAT THIS DRESS WOULD LOOK LIKE ON MY SISTER.

I WANTED TO SEE...

WHAT'S WITH THE HAIR?

ACTU-ALLY...

OH...

OBVIOUSLY, SHE'S WAY PRETTIER...

I JUST THOUGHT IT MIGHT LOOK GOOD ON MY SISTER!

HMPH!

WELL, OF COURSE IT DOESN'T LOOK GOOD ON ME!

...IT LOOKS GREAT ON YOU, HARU.

I THINK...

NO, I DON'T!

I KNOW YOU SAY THAT TO ALL THE GIRLS!

SHUT UP!

YOU REALLY DO LOOK GREAT!

BLUSH

?!

?!

KNOCK IT OFF, WOULD YOU!!

NO, I'M NOT!

YOU'RE JUST SAYING THAT.

I SWEAR, YOU REALLY DO LOOK AMAZ-ING...

QUIT BUTTER-ING ME UP!

HMPH! AND TO THINK I WAS FLATTERED FOR A MOMENT!

OH, I GET IT.

HE'S JUST COMPLIMENTING ME 'CAUSE I LOOK LIKE SIS RIGHT NOW.

I BET HE DOES THE SAME THING WITH MY SISTER!

IT'S LIKE HE JUST AUTOMATICALLY HITS ON EVERY GIRL HE SEES!

SHEESH, WHAT A PLAYER!

HUH?

OH, RIGHT.

WHAT ABOUT SIS'S GIFT?

SO?

WAIT... I WAS FLATTERED? WHAT'S WRONG WITH ME?!

Let's see...

WOULD YOU MIND TAKING A LOOK WITH ME?

I WAS THINKING OF CHOOSING SOMETHING OVER HERE.

OH!

THIS IS THE ONE I LIKE, BUT I DON'T KNOW ABOUT ANYONE ELSE.

ISN'T THIS ONE PRETTY?

I MEAN...

THAT'S RIGHT UP MY ALLEY, ACTUALLY.

WOW. HE MIGHT BE ON TO SOMETHING.

UM, RAKU...

HUH? WHADDYA MEAN?

YOU REALLY DIDN'T NEED MY HELP TODAY.

...

YOU AND I HAVE SIMILAR TASTES!

HARU...

WHAT AM I DOING?

YEESH!

HUH?

HEY... WHERE'RE YOU GOING?

I GUESS WE'RE DONE!

FOR A WALK.

I THINK...

...THAT'S THE PERFECT GIFT.

5F
MENS FASHION

THIS IS THE THIRD FLOOR, RIGHT?

Most of the time, anyway.

THAT'S WEIRD... I USUALLY HAVE A GOOD SENSE OF DIRECTION.

AM I LOST?

HUH?

I MEANT TO COME BACK TO THE SAME PLACE...

HEY... WHERE AM I?

IF I JUST KEEP GOING, I'LL PROBABLY FIND WHERE WE STARTED.

IT'LL BE FINE.

WELL...

HOW'D YOU MANAGE TO GET LOST SO FAST?

I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU.

WHERE D'YA THINK YOU'RE GOING?

TONK

HEY!

I saw you.

YOU LOOKED CONFUSED.

YEAH, BUT YOU WERE LOST.

I TOLD YOU I WAS GOING FOR A WALK!

I WASN'T LOST!

I WAS NOT!

LET GO!

HEY!

YANK

WE'VE GOT TO PICK ONODERA'S PRESENT!

TSK! LET'S GO.

HUH?

IT CAN'T BE...

WAIT A SEC...

NOTH-ING...

WHAT'S UP?

?

SHOOP

I KNEW IT COULDN'T BE YOU! HA HA HA HA!

RIGHT! OF COURSE!

I DIDN'T BUY YOU A VANILLA ICE CREAM! THAT WAS SOMEONE ELSE!

N-N-N-NO!!

WAS...WAS THAT YOU IN THE BEAR SUIT?

...

UM...

B-BMP

HUH?

DID I TELL HIM THAT?

VANILLA ICE CREAM?

NO.

NOTH-ING.

NOTHING'S WRONG!!

YOUR FACE IS ALL RED.

I SAID, NOTHING'S WRONG!

SMAK

Ow!!

HARU?

WHAT'S WRONG?

What's wrong, Mr. Bear?
FIDGET FIDGET
Thank you for bringing my sister back...
Haruuu!! I was so worried!
FIDGET FIDGET

WAIT FER ME...

AH'LL BE RIGHT THERE!

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TEE HEE...

SPARKLE

OH!

THAT'S THE BROOCH RAKU GAVE YOU, RIGHT?

YEP!

Tee hee...

I SEE YOU'RE PUTTING IT TO GOOD USE ALREADY!

SHE SEEMS TO LIKE IT. I'M SO GLAD!

IT FEELS GREAT KNOWING THAT SHE'S USING IT!

YEAH, WELL ...

I WASN'T THE ONE WHO SPILLED THE BEANS...

I'M SURPRISED YOU KNEW IT WAS HER BIRTHDAY.

TAKTAKTAK

GOOD MOOOORNING !!

UGH.

TAK TAK TAK TAK TAK TAK

OH, RAKU DEEEAREST !!

FLINCH

HAVEN'T YOU AN IOTA OF COMMON DECENCY?

WHAT WAS THAT FOR, KIRISAKI?

KSHHH

FWSH

FWSH

YOU'RE ONE TO TALK!

I WAS FEELING ESPECIALLY WELL THIS MORNING!

YES.

WE DON'T USUALLY SEE YOU ON THE WAY TO SCHOOL.

THIS IS A SURPRISE.

You always barely make it!!

WAIT...

WHO'S THAT GIRL?

HMM?

An inspirational t-shirt.

Say what?

Hey Marika, what'd you give Kosaki for her birthday?

IS SHE FROM A DIFFER-ENT SCHOOL?

BUT...

THAT UNIFORM IS...

EXCUSE ME...

DO YOU GO TO THIS SCHOOL?

ER.. YES...

WAIT... THE WAY SHE TALKS... THAT INTONA-TION...

RAKU DEAREST!!

OH. SURE...

COULD YOU PLEASE DIRECT ME TO THE STAFF ROOM?

I'M LOOKING FOR SOMEONE.

HUH?

OOPS, SORRY.

I, UH...

EVERY-ONE'S INSIDE ALREADY!

WHAT'S KEEPING YOU?

Eek!

NO WAY! IT'S MARIKA!!

LONG TIME NO SEE, GIRL!

Nuh-uh!

MIKAGE?! NO WAY!!

WHATCHA DOIN' HERE?

YOU TWO KNOW EACH OTHER?

You're wearing the same uni-form...

ER, YES!

WHERE'D YOU COME FROM?

GIRL, I'M SO GLAD I FOUND YA!

THIS IS MIKAGE SHINOHARA.

WE WENT TO JUNIOR HIGH TOGETHER!

AH'M MIKAGE.

PLEASED TO MAKE YOUR ACQUAIN-TANCE.

SO... WHATCHA DOIN' HERE?

AH WAS IN THE VICINITY SO I FIGURED I'D SWING BY AN' SAY HI!

WELL, WHY DIDN'T YA SAY SO?

HOW LONG ARE YA GONNA BE HERE?

I HAFTA GET TO SCHOOL...

WHAT LANGUAGE ARE THEY SPEAKING?

LISTEN UP, CLASS!

I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOU TO SOMEONE!

ACTUALLY...

?

HEH HEH!

HELLO, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS MIKAGE SHINOHARA!

PLEASED TO MEET YOU!

I'VE ARRANGED TO JOIN YOUR CLASS FOR JUST ONE DAY.

OOO

OOH!

AAAA

H

H!

SHE'S WEARING THE SAME UNIFORM AS MARIKA!

DUDE, SHE'S GORGEOUS!!

W-W-WHAT? A ONE-DAY VISIT?

CLAP

CLAP

CLAP

CLAP

CLAP

CLAP

CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP

CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP

AW, C'MON! I JUST WANTED TO CHECK OUT YER SITUATION!

HA HA!

I'll sit right next to you.

I SEE YOU'RE AS PUSHY AS EVER!

WHO DROPS IN ON A FRIEND AND ARRANGES TO ATTEND THEIR SCHOOL FOR A DAY?

I'VE GOTTA SAY... SHE'S CERTAINLY PROACTIVE.

...

I'VE NEVER SEEN HER SO RELAXED WITH ANYONE BEFORE ...

I DIDN'T KNOW SHE HAD FRIENDS!

WOW.

SHE'S A FRIEND OF MARIKA'S?

WE'VE BEEN BFFs SINCE OUR FIRST YEAR!

MARIKA 'N' I WENT TO JUNIOR HIGH TOGETHER!

YOU'RE EMBAR-RASSING ME.

WOW! Y'ALL TALK SO NICELY!

IT'S LIKE LIVIN' IN A MOVIE!

BASED ON YOUR ACCENT... I'D SAY KYUSHU?

HEY, SHINOHARA... WHERE ARE YOU FROM?

IT WAS A FANCY SCHOOL, ALL RICH GALS.

REAL-LY?

Y'ALL HAVEN'T HEARD ANYTHING?

YOU'VE NEVER TOLD US ANYTHING ABOUT YOUR JUNIOR HIGH, MARIKA!

WOW!

SHE DIDN'T FIT IN. EVERYONE PICKED ON HER.

WHEN SHE CAME BACK...

WELL, Y'ALL KNOW HOW SHE IS.

No way!!

REALLY?!

SHE WAS OUT AN ENTIRE MONTH JUST AFTER WE STARTED!

MARIKA WAS SICKLY...

Oh?

SHE WIPED OUT THOSE GIRLS IN NOTHIN' FLAT!

BUT TEN DAYS LATER...

...MARIKA LET LOOSE A RAGIN' COUNTER-ATTACK LIKE YOU WOUDN'T BELIEVE!

WHAT?!

YUP. THE RINGLEADER OF THE MEANEST GIRLS TARGETED HER.

That's hard to imagine!

YOU WERE BULLIED, MARIKA?

THEY GAVE HER A BAD TIME!

WHAAAT?!

HER DEEDS ARE THE STUFF OF SCHOOL LEGEND NOW!

THE SCHOOL'S SECRET RULER WAS A FIRST-YEAR GIRL!

IN A MONTH, SHE USURPED TOTAL COMMAND OF THE ENTIRE SCHOOL!

HOW COME THIS SCHOOL'S SO FULL OF PRETTY GALS?

WOW...

HUH?

OH, THAT WAS LONG AGO!

Why am I not surprised?

DID YOU! REALLY?

HUH?!

ER... WELL...

ARE YOU?

ARE YOU HALF-JAPAN-ESE?

WOWSERS! WHAT A SUPERFOX!

OH!

SHOOF!

SNIFF

EEEK!

?!

SNIFF

HHOOOO

CAN I FEEL YER HAIR?

I'VE NEVER SEEN A REAL LIVE BLOND BOMBSHELL BEFORE!

COOL!

UM... I GUESS SO...

HUH?!

AH LIKE THIS ONE, TOO!

OH!

JOLT

WOW... WHATTA SMELL!

LIKE PURE SUN-SHINE!

What gives?!

HEY!!

DO YOU MIND NOT SNIFFING ME?!

ER..

HUH?

THESE CITY GIRLS SURE ARE HOTTIES!

SWOON

SWOON

WHATTA CUTIE-PIE!!

OOOOH!

CREEP

CREEP

SHE'S KINDA LIKE A DIRTY OLD MAN, THAT'S ALL.

PAY HER NO MIND.

WHAT'S HER DEAL, ANYWAY?

HEY...

SQUEAL!

AHH!

SQUEAL!

SQUEAL!

OOH!

SQUEAL!

I ALMOST FORGOT SOMETHIN' SUPER IMPORTANT!

HEY, MARIKA!

SAY WHAT?!

SQUEAL!!

WANNA BE MY GIRL?

HEY, BABY.

How do I re-spond to that?!

...ULTRA STUDLY FIANCÉ OF YOURS?

SO WHERE'S THIS MEGA-HOT...

HUH?

FIANCÉ?

Don't tell me...

KZOOM

RAKU DEAR-EST? A WORD, IF YOU WILL?

WHERE?!

?!

OH! A HOT GIRL OUT IN THE HALL!!

SHE SEEMS LIKE QUITE A CHARACTER.

I'VE GOTTA SAY...

SO... WHAT DID YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT?

WELL...

I HAVE A FAVOR TO ASK.

JUST FOR ONE DAY...

SHE'S JUST A GIRL FROM A RICH FAMILY WHO HAPPENS TO BE AN OLD PERV ON THE INSIDE.

AN OLD PERV?!

THERE'S NO PAR-TICULAR STORY.

WHAT'S HER STORY, ANYWAY?

I NEED YOU...

...TO BE MY BOYFRIEND.

...AND I SORT OF TOLD A LITTLE FIB.

SHE WAS WORRIED ABOUT HOW I WAS DOING AT MY NEW SCHOOL...

NATURALLY, I TOLD HER ABOUT OUR BETROTHAL.

SHE AND I HAVE BEEN FRIENDS FOR AGES.

THAT CAME OUT OF NOWHERE!!

WHAT?! YOUR BOYFRIEND?

PLEASE... JUST PLAY ALONG FOR A DAY!

THERE'S NO WAY WE'LL GET AWAY WITH IT!!

YEAH, BUT...

YOU CALL THAT A LITTLE FIB?!

I SAID WE WERE SUPER-ULTRA-INSEPARABLE LOVEBIRDS.

Well, I figured it was just a matter of time...

RIGHT. I REMEMBER.

...THAT ONE DAY, YOU'D DO ANY FAVOR I ASKED?

WHEN YOU SWORE TO ME...

ON VALEN-TINE'S DAY?

WHOO

WHOO

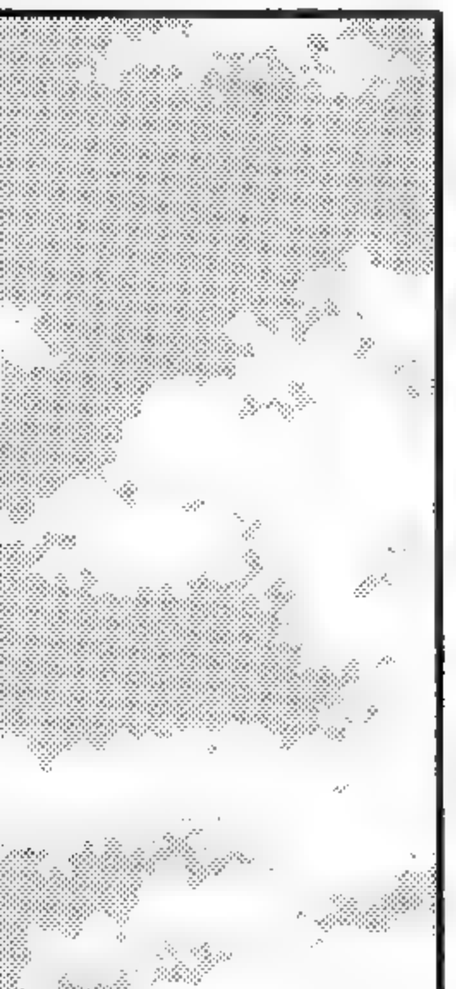
Yep. That did happen.

RAKU DEAR-EST...

NEED I REMIND YOU OF A PROMISE YOU ONCE MADE...

BESIDES ...

I DON'T WANT HER TO WORRY ABOUT ME.



THIS SEEMS LIKE IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO HER.

WELL...

HE IS ULTRA-FINE!

YOU SAID HE WAS ULTRA-FINE!

...

YOU'RE MARIKA'S FIANCÉ?

NUH-UH!

RIGHT.

WHISPER

HUH?

LIKE WHAT?

HOW DO YA LIKE 'EM?

SO...

OH... IT'S NOTHING.

BOW

BOW

THANKS FOR MAKIN' MARIKA SO HAPPY!

WELL, OKAY.

BLRFFF?!

MARIKA'S HOOTERS, OF COURSE!

DUH.

SHE'S MORE OF A DIRTY OLD MAN THAN I THOUGHT!

DON'T YA HAVE ANY BALLS?

WHAT...

You okay, pal?

KOFF KOFF

SAY WHAT?!

YA MEAN YOU HAVEN'T TOUCHED 'EM YET?

C'MON!

COULD YOU BE ANY MORE BLUNT?!

...

SKWEE SKWEE

YOU'RE IN FOR A TREAT!

MARIKA'S GOT QUITE AN AMAZING RACK, Y'KNOW.

NO...

THAT'S NOT IT AT ALL...

HOW COME YOU HAVEN'T FELT HER UP?

SHE AIN'T HOT ENOUGH FOR YOU OR SOME-THING?

Aw... Why're you lyin', girl? It's true!

I-I-I did not!! Don't listen to her!

EEEP!!

SHUT UP, MIKAGE!!

?!

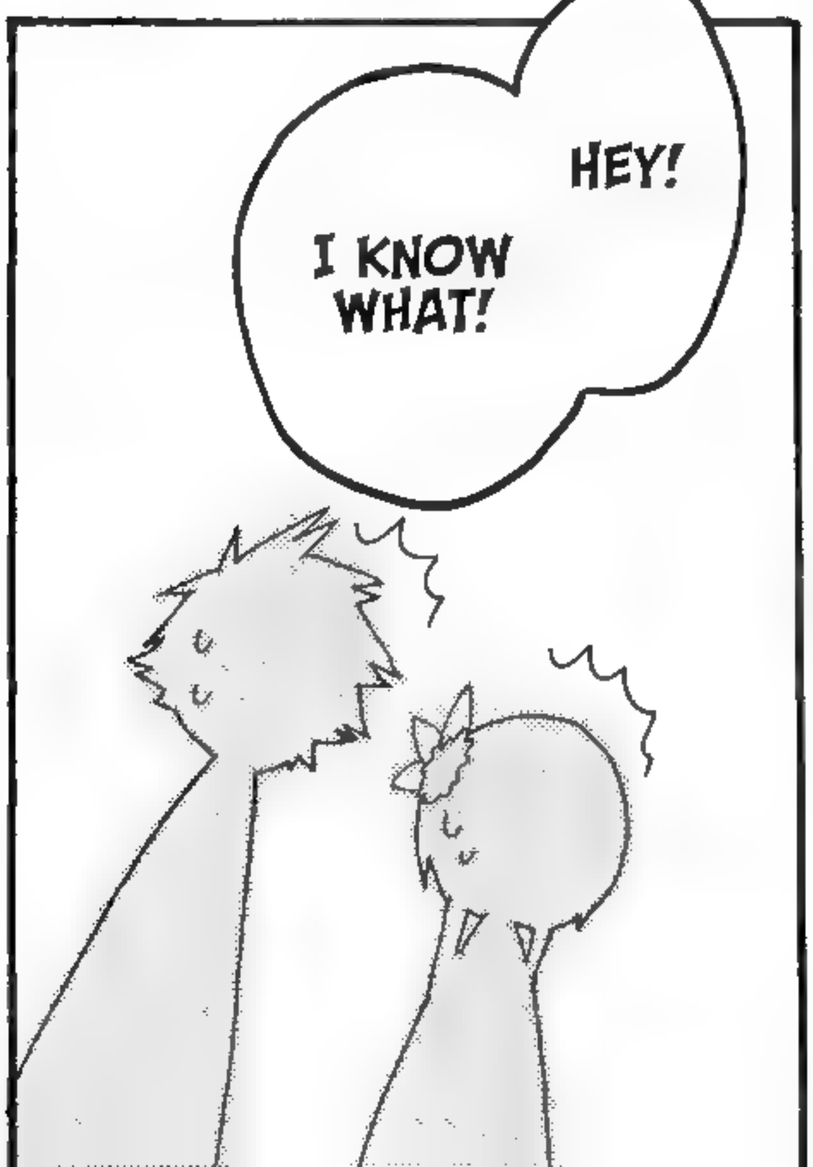
AFTER ALL THEM EXERCISES SHE DID IN JUNIOR HIGH TO GROW THOSE AWESOME JUGS FOR HER FUTURE HUSBAND...

WHAT A WASTE!

YOU CAN TELL ME! DON'T BE SHY!
HOW 'BOUT YER FIRST KISS? WHERE WAS IT?
FLINCH
WELL, NEVER MIND THE HOOTERS. YOU KIDS TAKE YER TIME.

NO KISS? DOESN'T HE HAVE ANY BALLS?
YEAH, WELL... YOU HAD AN ENTIRE YEAR!
STOP SAYING BALLS!!

PEH...!
GEEZ GIRL, YOU'RE HARSH!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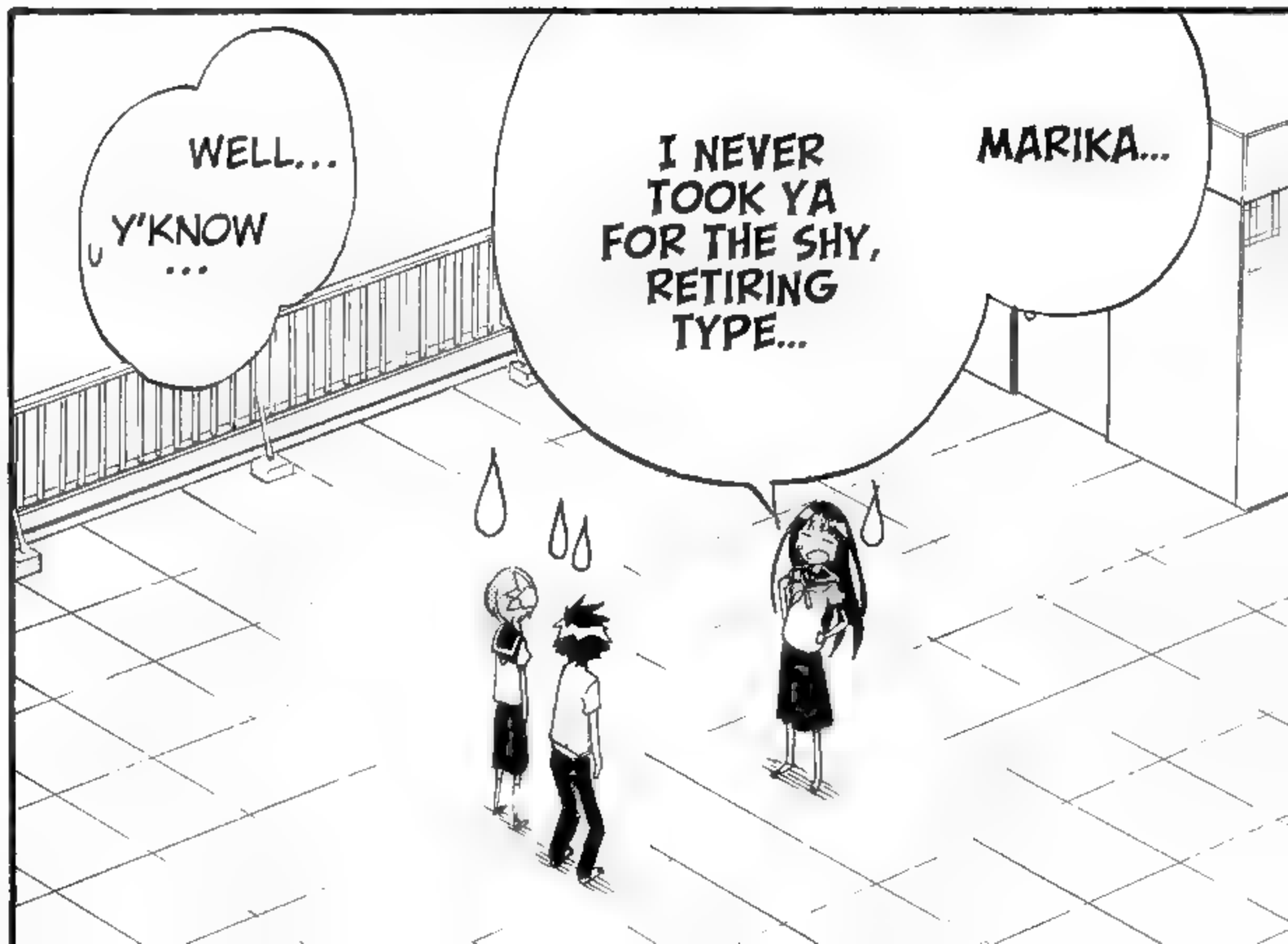
WELL... Y'KNOW...
I NEVER TOOK YA FOR THE SHY, RETIRING TYPE...
MARIKA...

I...

...AIN'T GOIN' HOME TODAY...

...UNTIL YOU TWO KISS!

WELL, LEAVE IT TO ME, SISTER!

YOU TWO JUST NEED HELP CREATING THE RIGHT MOOD!

WHAT NOW?

THIS IS VERY, VERY AWKWARD...

I'M SORRY, RAKU DEAREST!

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...UNTIL WE KISS?!

SHE WON'T GO HOME...

YES.

SHE'S PRETTY STUBBORN.

I CAN U TELL...

DO YOU THINK SHE REALLY MEANS IT?

THIS IS MORE TROUBLE THAN I EXPECTED...

I'M SO SORRY, RAKU DEAREST.

...

EVEN IF I EXPLAIN IT TO CHITOGE AND THE OTHERS, I CAN'T GET AWAY WITH PRETEND-DATING TACHIBANA AT SCHOOL!

WHAT A HEADACHE.

Now what?

LET ALONE KISSING!

NORMALLY, YOU'D JUST SAY, "SORRY, I LIED ABOUT US DATING."

HER FRIEND-SHIP REALLY MATTERS TO YOU, RIGHT?

THIS REALLY SEEMS TO MEAN A LOT TO YOU.

HMM?

WELL...

I GET IT.

IT'S JUST THAT I DON'T HAVE MANY FRIENDS, SO I CARE A LOT ABOUT THE ONES I DO HAVE.

IT'S NO BIG DEAL...

GIVE ME THE DIRT!

HEY, LADIES!

I'LL EXPLAIN TO CHITOGE AND THE OTHERS. WE'LL GET THROUGH IT SOMEHOW.

OKAY.

THANK YOU!

WELL...

A PROMISE IS A PROMISE. YOU CAN COUNT ON ME.

BLRFF!!

HUH?

ARE MARIKA AND ICHIJO...

...FULL ON HOT-N-HEAVY ALL THE TIME AT SCHOOL?

SHOOOP

I MEAN, THEY'VE BEEN DATIN' A YEAR, RIGHT? HOW COME THEY AIN'T GOT TO FIRST BASE YET?

YEAH!

WHUT?

HOT AND HEAVY? ICHIJO AND TACHIBANA?!

Maybe in a one-sided way...

ER...

GIVE ME A MOMENT TO THINK.

U U

Where'd ya come from?

THAT WAS CLOSE!

HAHH

HAHH

HAHH

WHASSUP?

I'D BETTER TELL CHITOGE AND THE GIRLS ASAP!

WHAT A CLOSE CALL!

HEY, ICHIJO!

RIGHT! SO, YOU KNOW...

OOPS! SORRY! I DIDN'T REALIZE!

Ah'll be more careful-like!

UM... YEAH!

ACTUALLY, FOR COMPLEX REASONS, TACHIBANA AND I HAVE TO KEEP OUR RELATIONSHIP ON THE DOWN LOW.

A FRIEND OF RAKU'S.

WHO'S THAT?

What is it?

I need to tell you something...

HEY, TSUGUMI! PERFECT TIMING!

HAVE YOU SEEN THE MISTRESS?

I can't find her...

*NOTE: "BANZAI" MEANS "HOORAY" AND IS SHOUTED WHILE THROWING ONE'S ARMS UP.

HUH?

BANZAI?

'SCUSE ME. CAN YOU DO "BANZAI" FOR A SEC?*

SKWEE

LIKE THIS?

WHAT'S THE NUMBER FOR?!

10

SHOOP

YOU'RE CREEPING ME OUT!!

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?!

WHA ...?!

...

KCHAK

ER... EXCUSE ME?

POTENTIAL FOR WHAT?!

YOU'VE GOT GREAT POTENTIAL, M'DEAR!

FULL POINTS FOR SHAPE, SIZE AND SQUEEZABILITY!

GAH! WILL EVERYONE JUST LEAVE MY CHEST ALONE?!

Impressive!

EEK EEK

OOOH! WHAT A CUTIE-PIE!!

YEEK! WHO'RE YOU?!

IS KOSAKI ONODERA HERE?

SHE FORGOT HER LUNCH...

AGH! NOT HARU!!

OF COURSE NOT!! WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?!

Calm down!!

CAN I TACKLE HER?!

CAN I...

KSHH

Tackle?!

SHE'S ADORABLE!!

AUGH! NOT YOU AGAIN!!

LET'S GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER, SWEET STUFF!

OOH, IT'S THE HALF BABE AGAIN!

OH!

OH?

WHO ARE WE TALKING ABOUT?

THAT'S SOME FRIEND YOU'VE GOT.

SQUEAL SQUEAL

SQUEAL

Wait up!!

Talk about out of control!

Y'KNOW ANY NICE MAKE-OUT SPOTS IN THE AREA?

THESE TWO'VE BEEN DATING FOR A YEAR AND THEY STILL HAVEN'T GOTTEN NOWHERE!

Ain't it a shame?

HUH? WHAT IS IT?

OH!

HEY, THIS IS PERFECT, CHITOGE. I NEED A WORD WITH YOU...

HEY, SWEET MAMA!

SKWEE

Oops.

WHY, YOU LITTLE...

SORRY! ♡

That was a secret, huh? ♡

SHOOP

SORRY I DIDN'T TELL YOU ALL SOONER.

I'VE JUST GOT TO GO WITH IT FOR ONE DAY!

HA HA!

WE'VE BEEN TOGETHER A YEAR, ACTUALLY...

I HAVE NO CHOICE.

ARE ICHIJO AND TACHI-BANA DATING?!

HEY, DID YOU HEAR?!

CHATTER

CHATTER

CHATTER

CHATTER

FOR REAL?

BUT ICHIJO'S WITH KIRISAKI!!

POOR RAKU. WHATEVER THE STORY IS, I FEEL SORRY FOR HIM.

DRIP DRIP

IT HAS TO BE ANOTHER ONE OF TACHIBANA'S SHENANIGANS.

OH, C'MON. YOU CAN'T FOOL ME.

ER...

WELL...

GEE... I HAD NO IDEA. WHAT A SHOCK!

ARE YOU TWO REALLY DATING, MARIKA?

I GUESS I'LL JUST GO ALONG...

YES.

WE ARE.

BLUSH

HUH?

JEEZ, ICHIJO REALLY IS A SLIMEBAG!

HE WAS TWO-TIMING?

CHATTER CHATTER

BUT WHAT ABOUT KIRISAKI?

YOU CAN EXPLAIN TOMORROW!

HANG IN THERE, ICHIJO...

CHATTER

YES.

DID YOU SEE THE LOOK ON TACHIBANA'S FACE?

NO WAY!!

CHATTER

CHATTER

TRULY AND SINCERELY?

WAIT... SERIOUSLY?

CHATTER

YES.

WAIT...

FOR REAL?

TWITCH

A WORD WITH YOU, IF YOU PLEASE?

EXCUSE ME, ICHIJO...

I'M CONFUSED.

GUESS I SAID THE WRONG THING, HUH?

IT'S OKAY, MIKAGE ...

NEVER MIND.

DROP DEAD!!

KA

BASH

I'M SOOORRY!

SUITS ME JES' FINE!

ALL RIGHTY!

SHOOP

HUH?

MAYBE I SHOULD CUT SCHOOL FOR THE REST OF THE DAY.

Y'KNOW...

KTUNK

I HAVEN'T BEEN TO ONE OF THESE SINCE I WAS A KID.

BONYALILAND

AN AMUSEMENT PARK?

Ticket Center

ME EITHER.

GETTING PERMISSION TO VISIT A SCHOOL AND THEN CUTTING OUT EARLY... THAT TAKES GUTS.

I'VE GOTTA SAY...

KA-TUNG

THAT'S HOW SHE IS.

GEE, WHAT A GOOD FRIEND.

WHO DO YOU MEAN?

AIN'T IT SWELL? LIVE IT UP, KIDS, AN' DON'T FORGET TO WORK IN A SMOOCH WHILE YOU'RE AT IT! I'M ROOTIN' FOR YA! TEE HEE HEE HE!!

PANT

PANT

I FIGURED AS MUCH.

DON'T WORRY.

...SHE'S FOLLOWING US IN DISGUISE, SO DON'T DROP THE ACT.

BY THE WAY...

I'CAN TAKE THE LEAD HERE.

IN A SENSE, I'M AN OLD HAND AT THIS.

C'MON, TACHIBANA! LET'S GO!

TUG

EEK!

WHO KNEW I'D HAVE TO DO THE SAME THING WITH TACHIBANA?

THIS IS JUST LIKE WHEN I HAD TO PRETEND I WAS DATING CHITOGE.

OH!

I...

BLU

SH

I-I-I'M SORRY!

I'M MORE COMFORTABLE AS THE AGGRESSOR!

YOU'RE THE ONE WHO'S ALWAYS SO BOLD!

WHEN YOU GET ALL BASHFUL, IT MAKES ME SHY TOO!

GEEZ ...

...WE'RE ON A DATE TOGETHER. IT'S JUST WHAT I'VE ALWAYS DREAMED OF.

ALL OF A SUDDEN...

I WASN'T EXPECTING THIS...

I JUST ...

EXPECTING WHAT?

?

I FANTASIZE ABOUT IT...

...ALL THE TIME.

...DREAMED OF?

WHAT YOU'VE ALWAYS ...

YES.

I'LL GO GET US SOMETHING TO DRINK.

WELL, SHEESH.

AGH! NOW I'M NERVOUS!

WHAM!!!

WHAM

VOOSH

VOOSH

WHAT DOES SHE SEE IN ME, ANYWAY?

HOW'S A GUY SUPPOSED TO RESPOND TO SOMETHING LIKE THAT?

MY HEART'S POUNDING LIKE A DRUM!

THAT TACHIBANA! WHY'D SHE HAVE TO SAY THAT!!

DON'T THINK ABOUT IT!!

GASP

AFTER ALL THEM EXERCISES SHE DID IN JUNIOR HIGH TO GROW THOSE AWESOME JUGS FOR HER FUTURE HUSBAND...

I'VE GOTTA STOP THINKING ABOUT IT.

NO.

CLEAR MY HEAD.

MARIKA!

Ha ha! Nah. No way!

C'MON! YA REALLY THOUGHT I WAS THAT HELPLESS?

GLAD YOU AIN'T GETTIN' BULLIED AGAIN OR NOTHIN'.

I WAS WORRIED 'BOUT YOU, BUT LOOKS LIKE YER DOIN' JUST FINE!

I'M SO RELIEVED.

Y'KNOW, MARIKA...

YOU'VE CHANGED, GIRL.

AINCHA GOT A BOYFRIEND, MIKAGE?

WATCHIN' YOU GETS ME WISHIN' I HAD A SPECIAL SOMEONE!

MUST BE FUN, BEIN' IN LOVE!

OH, I'M HOLDIN' OUT FER JOHNNY DEPP!

Ah!

I FIGURED YOU'D HAVE THAT BETROTHED OF YOURS RIGHT WHERE YOU WANTED HIM!

WHEN THE MARIKA I KNOW WANTS SOMETHING, SHE TAKES IT!

SHE'S ACTING NORMAL FOR ONCE.

WELL, WHAT DO YOU KNOW.

I'VE GOT MY OWN WAY OF DOIN' THINGS.

YOU CAN'T HURRY LOVE.

...

MARIKA, DON'T TELL ME...

IT'S DIFFERENT FER YOU.

YEAH BUT...

YOU SURE, MARIKA?

...ABOUT YOU-KNOW-WHAT?

YOU AIN'T TOLD HIM...

"YOU-KNOW-WHAT"?

?

There's another hottie over there!! Hey foxy lady, how 'bout a little sugar?!
Hubba hubba !!
?!!

WHAT DOES SHE MEAN BY...

...?

...“YOU-KNOW-WHAT”?

YOU AIN’T TOLD HIM, HUH?

YOU REALLY OKAY WITH THAT?

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BUT, MARIKA...

WELL, IF THAT’S HOW YA WANT IT, I WON’T MEDDLE.

DON'T WORRY.

I KNOW, HON.

...YOU AIN'T GONNA REGRET THIS.

I JUST HOPE...

DON JUAN?

PHWEET♡

WELL, WELL! YOUR DON JUAN'S BACK!

HEY!

REALLY?

I'll tag along!

AS LONG AS Y'ALL ARE HAPPY, I'M GOOD.

WELL, MARIKA, IF YOU AIN'T IN NO HURRY TO KISS, I WON'T FORCE YA.

...

ER...

RAKU DEAREST ?

OH...

NOTHING IMPOR-TANT!

Let's go!

SO, WHAT WERE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

WHAT?

IS IT...

...REALLY OKAY...

IF I JUST...

...ENJOY THIS DATE WITH YOU?

...

WEIRD.

OKAY!

I WILL, THEN!

DO WHATEVER YOU WANT.

BUT SHE SEEMS TOTALLY HAPPY.

THEY LOOKED SO SERIOUS, I WAS KINDA WORRIED.

AW, COME ON!

WHERE'S YOUR SENSE OF ROMANCE?

I MEAN, WE'RE IN HIGH SCHOOL...

YES, LET'S GO, RAKU DEAREST!

C'MON!

LET'S GO ON THAT!

THE FERRIS WHEEL?

OH, HEY!

HUH?!

WHAT?

GLEAM

This way?

HEY!!

WHAT'S GOING ON?!

TEN-HUT!

MWA

MWA

MWA

I THOUGHT SHE SAID SHE WAS GIVING UP?

...

WE'VE BEEN HAD.

WHY, THAT LITTLE...

HUH?

I KNOW YOU'RE NEARBY!

COME OUT, COME OUT WHEREVER YOU ARE!!

OH, HONDAAA!

YOU SEEM WELL, MIKAGE.

CAN I FEEL 'EM?

SQUEAL SQUEAL

DAYUM! YOUR BOOBS ARE AS AMAZING AS EVER!!

EEEK! LONG TIME NO SEEEE!

SQUEAL

SHF

...

HOW IS SHE?

HOW IS SHE, FOR REAL?

...

ABOUT MARIKA ...

WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU?

YEAH. HOW IS SHE?

...

WELL THEN, HONDA...

OKAY, I GET IT.

C'MON, JUST A LITTLE BIT?

WELL, YOU AIN'T CHANGED A BIT!

I'M AFRAID I CAN'T DISCLOSE PRIVATE INFORMATION ABOUT MY EMPLOYER.

...JUST TAKE GOOD CARE OF MARIKA FOR ME.

PLEASE...

...

Yeah, I gotta admit it...

OH? I GOT PURTIER, YA MEAN?

AW, SHUCKS!

I MAY NOT HAVE CHANGED, BUT YOU CERTAINLY HAVE, MIKAGE.

...ASK YOU ONE LITTLE FAVOR?

CAN I...

OH, HEY...

SO MUCH HAS HAPPENED TODAY... IT'S JUST HARD TO ACT NORMAL.

I DON'T KNOW HOW TO END THIS AWKWARD SILENCE!

THIS FEELS SO AWKWARD!

DANG...

ISN'T THE SUNSET...

...LOVELY?

HUH?

NORMALLY SHE'S WAY MORE...

HOW COME SHE DOESN'T SAY ANYTHING?

...

BUT SHE'S BEEN ACTING KINDA DIFFERENT TODAY.

BEING ALONE WITH TACHIBANA SHOULD BE NO BIG DEAL.

YES.

TIME FLIES WHEN YOU'RE HAVING FUN.

ER... YEAH.

GEE, IT'S GETTING LATE.

YES YOU HAVE.

NAH.

I REALLY HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING ...

AND I'M VERY GRATEFUL!

RAKU DEAREST...

I REALLY APPRECIATE IT.

THANK YOU FOR PLAYING ALONG WITH ME TODAY.

SO...

WHAT'S NEXT?

HUH?

GAH!

WHAT AM I THINKING ?!

I like Onodera!

...

SWEETER, MAYBE.

SHE SEEMS QUIETER THAN USUAL...

THERE'S SOMETHING DIFFERENT ABOUT HER TODAY.

WHAT?!

FLUSH!

SHALL WE KISS?

B-BMP B-BMP

B-BMP

OH? I'M READY AND WILLING WHENEVER YOU ARE!

I MEAN, C'MON! WE CAN'T KISS!

LET'S NOT AND SAY WE DID!

WELL...

THAT SEEMS TO BE WHAT MIKAGE INTENDED, DOESN'T IT?

WHERE DID THAT COME FROM?!

HA HA! YOU'RE SUCH A JOKER!

YOU'RE KIDDING, RIGHT?

WHAT?!

COME ON. LET'S KISS!

HUH?

IF I SERIOUSLY ASK YOU TO DO THIS...

...WILL YOU DO IT?

WILL YOU PLEASE...

...KISS ME?

RAKU DEAREST ...

W-WHAT ?!

THIS IS A JOKE, RIGHT?

I'M DEAD SERIOUS.

NOT AT ALL.

HUH?

...

YOU NEVER SAID ANYTHING ABOUT A KISS!

YOU ASKED ME TO PRETEND WE WERE DATING FOR A DAY!

YEAH, BUT...

MY REQUEST... ...

...

WELL, YOU SAID YOU'D DO ANYTHING I ASKED...

DON'T BE RIDICULOUS!

WE AREN'T EVEN DATING!!

B-BMP!

...

UH...

IF YOU'RE MY BOY-FRIEND...

...YOU CAN KISS ME, RIGHT?

...TO BE MY BOYFRIEND FOR ONE DAY.

...WAS FOR YOU...

HUH?!

JOLT

WAIT!! I...

CLOSE YOUR EYES, PLEASE.

WELL ...

I MEAN...

THAT'S NOT THE ISSUE HERE!

DON'T YOU FIND ME ATTRACTIVE?

WAIT!!

HOLD UP...

YOU'RE KIDDING, RIGHT?

I...

I...

Hee hee...

YOU'RE SO ADORABLE!

OH, RAKU DEAREST...

TEE HEE HEE HEE!

WHY, EVEN YOUR EARS ARE BRIGHT RED!!

YOU WERE JUST TEASING ?!

...?

WHAT'S UP?

Why, you little...

Hee hee hee hee hee.

TRAVEL SAFE, MIKAGE!

That was fun!

WELL...

I'D BEST BE ON MY WAY!

BLRF?!

BESIDES ...

AIN'T THE TWO OF YOU READY TO DROP THE ACT?

YEAH, BUT I GOT SCHOOL TOMORROW!

WISH YA COULDA STAYED LONGER!

THANK YOU.

MIKAGE...

WELL, DUH!

YOU KNEW?!

YOU...

YOU CAN'T FOOL THIS SISTER, YA CHUMPS!

It was fun watching you try, though!

SHF

YOU'RE A TOUGH CHICK!

BUT I SEE NOW YOU'RE FINE.

I WAS WORRIED 'BOUT YA, MARIKA...

I SHOULDN'T'VE WORRIED!

NO MATTER HOW MUCH I EVER BULLIED YOU...

...YOU AIN'T NEVER CRIED UNCLE!

IT TAKES WAY MORE'N THAT TO BEAT ME DOWN!

YOU JUST DON'T KNOW HOW TO BRING IT!

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU TWO ARE FRIENDS!!

...!?

IT'S A GIRL THING.

THE LEADER OF THE GIRL BULLIES AT OUR SCHOOL WAS...ME!!

OH, I DIDN'T TELL YA?

NO WAY!!

WAIT... WHUUUT?!

Yep!

YES.

...Lady Ta-tas! Ha ha! Get it?

Ta-ta for now...

SHE WAS QUITE A CHARACTER, BUT A GOOD FRIEND.

WELL, THERE SHE GOES.

LOOK! A SHOOTING STAR!

WHERE?

WELL, TECHNIC-ALLY... ...THE DAY ISN'T OVER YET.

Uh-oh...

Tee hee hee!

WAIT... WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT?

ARE YOU SATISFIED NOW THAT I FULFILLED YOUR REQUEST?

WELL, ANYWAY...

SMAK

I'LL TAKE ONE ON THE LIPS! ♡

NEXT TIME...

YOU'RE SUCH AN EASY TARGET.

...A STRONG GIRL.

U U

SHE SURE IS...

Fare thee well!

Chapter 98: Good Morning

From Chapter 97: Request

MY NAME IS KOSAKI ONODERA.

WHEN I WAS IN MY LAST YEAR OF JUNIOR HIGH...

GLANCE

...I FELL IN LOVE.

I FELL FOR A BOY IN MY CLASS...

...NAMED RAKU ICHIJO.

...BUT HIS KIND-HEARTED PERSON-ALITY...

HE DIDN'T STAND OUT...

...AS A STAR STUDENT OR ATHLETE OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT...

...REALLY MADE ME LIKE HIM.

IN OUR SECOND YEAR...

...WE WERE CLASS-MATES FOR THE FIRST TIME.

IN OUR THIRD YEAR...

...WE STARTED TO TALK TO EACH OTHER OCCASION-ALLY.

BUT FOR THE MOST PART, WE DIDN'T INTERACT MUCH...

...AND I WASN'T VERY GOOD AT MAKING CONVERSATION.

AND "SEE YOU LATER!"

I REALLY LOOKED FORWARD TO THOSE MOMENTS EACH DAY.

WE'D JUST SAY "GOOD MORN-ING!"

OKAY!

What high schools will you apply to?

1st Choice	Otori Girls' High Sch
2nd Choice	SKRT
3rd Choice	

BUT...

YOU TOO?

YEAH, IT'S NICE HOW CLOSE IT IS!

YEAH.

BONYARI HIGH SCHOOL.

HEY, RAKU...

DID YOU DECIDE ON YOUR FIRST CHOICE SCHOOL YET?

SHF

Mwa ha ha ha!

COOL. WE CAN STILL PAL AROUND!

OH, GREAT!

GEEZ.

I'LL REALLY MISS HIM.

WE'D NEVER SAY "GOOD MORNING" AND "SEE YOU LATER" TO EACH OTHER AGAIN.

I REALIZED THAT I WOULDN'T SEE ICHIJO ANYMORE IN HIGH SCHOOL.

I WANT TO AT LEAST TALK TO HIM MORE.

I DON'T WANT THIS TO BE IT.

I'M GOING TO APPLY TO BONYARI HIGH SCHOOL!

RURI!

Cur

CHOMP

Cream Croquett
¥ 300

WELL...

THAT'S TRUE...

THERE ARE LOTS OF YUMMY CAKE SHOPS NEARBY, RIGHT?

I THOUGHT YOU WERE APPLYING TO OTORI GIRLS' HIGH?

HUH?

WHAT'RE YOU GRIN-NING ABOUT?

You're scaring me!

Heh heh...

B-BMP

WELL, WELL!

I HEAR ICHIJO'S GOING TO BONYARI HIGH...

I KNOW WHAT COLLEGE I WANT TO GO TO, BUT I DON'T REALLY CARE WHERE I GO FOR HIGH SCHOOL.

BUT I THOUGHT YOU...

HUH?

WELL THEN...

MAYBE I'LL GO TO BONYARI HIGH TOO.

THAT'S WHEN I REALLY STARTED STUDYING.

YOU DON'T EXACTLY GET THE BEST GRADES.

OUCH!

I'll do my best...

BUT YOU SHOULD KNOW...

EVEN THOUGH BONYARI ISN'T A SUPER ELITE HIGH SCHOOL, THE TEST IS GOING TO BE TOUGH FOR YOU, KOSAKI.

...BUT IN ALL OF MY 15 YEARS, I'D NEVER REALLY GONE AFTER A REAL GOAL OR DREAM...

...SO I WAS REALLY MOTIVATED FOR THE FIRST TIME.

IT WASN'T THE BEST MOTIVE...

I WANTED TO GO TO THE SAME HIGH SCHOOL AS MY CRUSH.

AND...

???

ZZZZZ

I STUDIED ...

...HARDER THAN EVER BEFORE.

ON THE DAY OF THE TEST...

OH!

YOU SHOULD'VE TOLD ME!

OH... YES, ACTUALLY. I AM.

ARE YOU APPLYING TO BONYARI HIGH TOO?

O-O-ONODERA ?!

GRIN

LET'S DEFINITELY GET INTO THE SAME HIGH SCHOOL!

WE CAN DO THIS!!

WOW.

I HAD NO IDEA.

YES!

...I FELT A SUDDEN RUSH OF CONFIDENCE THAT I'D GET IN!

FOR SOME REASON ...

RURI HELPED ME A LOT TOO.

NAH, I'M GOOD.

I EX-PECTED YOU TO BE WAY MORE ANXIOUS!

WELL, WELL!

I STUDIED REALLY HARD.

IT'S GOING TO BE OKAY.

I JUST HAVE TO GET IN!!

NOW I JUST HAVE TO DO MY BEST.

I DIDN'T MAKE IT.

DID YOU GET IN, KOSAKI?

SHOVE

SHOVE

OW OW OW!

WE WON'T GET TO SAY "SEE YOU LATER" EITHER.

WE WON'T GET TO SAY "GOOD MORNING" ANYMORE.

IT WAS ALL FOR NOTHING.

Japanese Confections
Onodera

ooo?

KO-SAKI!

WAIT UP!

COME BACK!!

HEY...

WHERE ARE YOU GOING, KOSAKI?

TAK TAK TAK TAK TAK TAK TAK

MOM, COME QUICK!

SIS LOOKS REALLY WEIRD!!

TMP

I GUESS THAT'S WHERE I'LL BE GOING THIS SPRING.

AT LEAST I GOT INTO OTORI, MY SAFETY SCHOOL.

...RURI AND ICHIJO NOW?

HOW CAN I FACE...

JOLT

ONODERA ?

...I WOULD'VE TOLD HIM HOW I FELT...

IF I KNEW THIS WAS GOING TO HAPPEN...

I WON'T GET TO SEE ICHIJO ANY-MORE.

EVEN AT A TIME LIKE THIS, HE MAKES MY HEART RACE. I'M SUCH A FOOL.

GETTING READY FOR THE NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION TOMOR-ROW...

NOTHING. WHAT ABOUT YOU?

...OUT HERE IN THE SNOW ?

WHAT ARE YOU DOING ...

ICHIJO ...

...DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING ELSE.

ICHIJO...

I HEARD ...

...THE NEWS.

HUH?!

O-OH NO, I'M FINE!!

WANNA WEAR MY SCARF?

AREN'T YOU COLD?

IF ONLY WE COULD GO TO THE SAME SCHOOL!

HE'S AS NICE AS EVER.

THEN WILL YOU USE IT?

FINE. I'LL SHARE IT WITH YOU.

HUH?

GO ON, TAKE IT. I'M GETTING COLD JUST LOOKING AT YOU!

I'M FINE! TAKE IT!

NO, ICHIJO! YOU'LL CATCH A COLD!

I'M FINE TOO, REALLY!

WHAT?! YOU MADE THIS?!

I WENT A LITTLE OVER-BOARD.

I'VE BEEN KNITTING A LOT FOR THE GUYS AT HOME.

THIS SURE IS A LONG SCARF.

GEEZ... IT'S LIKE WE'RE A COUPLE!

I...

UM, ONODERA?

B-BMP

WOW... I'M SO HAPPY RIGHT NOW.

BUT... I DON'T HAVE THE NERVE!

B-BMP

B-BMP

MAYBE THIS IS MY CHANCE TO TELL HIM HOW I FEEL...

OH... NO WORRIES! GO AHEAD!

OOPS! SORRY! THAT'S MY MOM CALLING!

Don't mind me!

TINGALING ♪

TINGALING ♪

TINGALING ♪

I GOT IN?

HELLO?

WHAT?

...

I GOT INTO BONYARI HIGH FROM THE WAIT LIST.

THEY JUST CALLED!

A...

YIPEE!!

ARE YOU SERIOUS?! HOORAY!!

HOORAY!

FLIP FLIP FLIP

?

WHAT A NICE GUY!

IT WAS ACTUALLY KIND OF EXTREME.

Wow! That's so awe-some! That's great!!

IT WAS ALMOST LIKE IT WAS HIS GOOD NEWS.

ICHIJO SEEMED ...

...REALLY HAPPY FOR ME.

...ONO-DERA!

SEE YOU LATER...

WELL, SO LONG!

AND...

SEE YOU AT THE ORIENTA-TION TOMOR-ROW!

...ICHIJO AND I STARTED TALKING A BIT MORE.

THAT WAS THE DAY...

SEE YOU LATER, ICHIJO!

YEAH!

...I HAVEN'T MADE ANY ROMANTIC PROGRESS WITH HIM.

EVEN NOW THAT WE'RE IN HIGH SCHOOL ...

BUT...

STILL, I'M PRETTY HAPPY WITH THE WAY THINGS ARE.

GOOD MORNING, ICHIJO!

HEY, ONODERA!

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Bonus Comic!!

Your contract is now finished, Ms. Chitoge Kirisaki.

Starting today, you're a full-fledged magical girl!

Another town, not where Kosaki lives...

Magical Confectioner Kosaki!!

I know, but...

Really?

I think you look great!

Yeah! I totally wanna be a magical girl!!

Why the long face? You were so fired up at the beginning!

Well... How do I look?!

*Before she saw herself in the mirror

I thought I was gonna have a way cuter magical girl identity!!

Magical Gorilla?! What gives?! That's so not cute!!

Who wants to be Magical Gorilla Chitoge?!

What will I tell my mom?

We're not allowed to have animals in the apart-ment.

Uh-oh!

Well...

I was surprised when I was able to shatter concrete slabs with the flick of a finger...

There's nothing I can do... Your costume is based on your own hidden potential!!

Your Magical Gorilla form is highly adept at close combat!

FWOO

Trans-form!

Sure. Sometimes I need to blend in with the human world...

You can do that?

Should I transform into human form then?

WOOSH

KA WASH

KA SHW

FWASH!

FWASH

WHOA!

What's the matter?

?

Phew!

I wanna trade !!

How come you get such a cute costume ?!

NO fair!

Hey... There's nothing I can do...

To be continued!!
(Or not to be continued...)

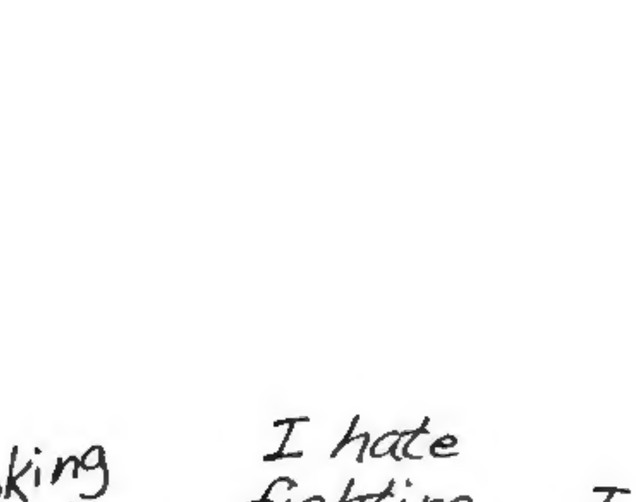
I'm looking forward to experiencing the human world— I've always wanted to!

I hate fighting and mean mice who pick on me!

I love sun-bathing!

Hi!! I'm Tsugumeow, the Magical Cat!

Pleased to meet you!!



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